

Kaddoumi, Gromyko hold talks

MOSCOW (R) — Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko has held talks with a high-level delegation from the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), the Communist Party daily Pravda said Friday. The participation in the meeting Thursday noted that the Soviet approach to a Middle East settlement largely coincided with principles approved by the Arab League summit in Fez in September, the newspaper said. The two sides described U.S. peace proposals as an attempt to prevent the formation of a Palestinian state and edge the PLO out of efforts to resolve the Middle East problem, it said. The PLO delegation was headed by Farouk Kaddoumi, the organisation's foreign affairs chief, and included other members of the PLO executive committee.

Lebanese M.P. escapes assassination

BEIRUT (R) — Lebanon's deputy speaker of parliament, Muntir Abu Fadel, escaped an apparent assassination attempt in central Beirut Friday when unidentified gunmen fired at his car with machine-guns. Mr. Abu Fadel told Reuters he was unhurt but his driver was wounded by three bullets. The gunmen's vehicle pulled up close to Mr. Abu Fadel's official car in Beshara Khoury Street, in the area formerly known as the "Green Line" which used to split the capital's predominantly-Muslim and mainly-Christian areas. They fired a hail of machine-gun bullets at his car, Mr. Abu Fadel said, adding that he had no idea who would want to kill him.

Reagan is sure to agree on settlements with Begin

WASHINGTON (R) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan said Friday he was sure that he and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin at their talks on Nov. 19 would discuss U.S. opposition to the creation of new Israeli settlements on the Jordan West Bank. Asked if he would consider sanctions to force Mr. Begin to stop the settlements, he replied: "I don't believe it would be good diplomacy to be threatening... and I don't believe it is necessary. I don't think to start talking about... threats... is going to be fruitful at all." Mr. Reagan announced earlier in the day that Philip Habib, who negotiated the withdrawal from Beirut of Palestinian commandos trapped by Israeli forces, would take over the charge of U.S. policy in the Middle East.

Princess Anne visits Beirut

BEIRUT (R) — Britain's Princess Anne got a warm welcome from the war-weary people of Beirut's southern slums Friday during a flying visit surrounded by exceptional security. Heavily-armed soldiers and police shadowed the princess's every move during her 10-hour stopover to visit children in schools, a hospital and a medical centre on behalf of the Save the Children Fund, the London-based charity of which she is president. The high point of the day was a trip to the former Palestinian commando stronghold of Bourj Al-Brajneh, a poor area shrouded in secrecy until Thursday, was taken in Beirut as a sign that the city had shrugged off its reputation as one of the world's most violent capitals.

Swiss watchmakers report record losses

BIENNE, Switzerland (R) — Switzerland's largest watchmaking group which markets such well-known brands as Longines, Rado, Certina and Elterna, Friday reported record losses for last year and said it would probably need a rescue operation by Swiss banks. The Allgemeine Schweizerische Uhrenindustrie AG (ASUAG) said 1981 losses were more than 150 million francs (\$70 million), and sales had continued to slow down since then. Board member Walter Frehner, who is also a general manager at the Swiss bank corporation, told a press conference that a bank rescue operation could hardly be avoided. This would be the second rescue package organised by Swiss banks for an ailing watch firm.

Moscow demands hijackers

MOSCOW (R) — The Kremlin has demanded that the Turkish government immediately extradite hijackers who forced a Soviet airliner to fly to Turkey last Sunday, the official TASS news agency reported Friday. "Three armed bandits attacked the crew aboard the Soviet AN-24 airliner, which was on a domestic flight from Krasnodar to Odessa via Novorossiysk," TASS said. It added that crew and passengers had returned home the day after the hijacking.

Andropov succeeds Brezhnev to Kremlin

MOSCOW (R) — The Soviet Communist Party leadership Friday made former KGB police chairman Yuri Andropov its new chief in succession to the late Leonid Brezhnev.

The election of Mr. Andropov, 68, as general secretary crowned a long period of service as party functionary, nine years of it spent within striking distance of ultimate power as a member of the ruling politburo.

At 68, he is by far the oldest man to start out as Soviet Communist Party chief.

Many Western diplomats who have met him in recent years say his health is subject to great fluctuations and on occasions he has looked very frail.

At the central committee meeting which brought his election Friday, Mr. Andropov pledged to devote his energies to building Communism, improving Soviet economic and defensive might, bettering the lot of the Soviet people and carrying out the domestic and foreign policies of his predecessor.

But he struck an unusually militant note by saying it was useless "to beg peace from the imperialists."

"Peace can be only defended by relying on the invincible might of the Soviet armed forces," he said in comments quoted by the Soviet News Agency TASS.

Almost his first duty as general secretary of the 18 million-strong Communist Party was to visit Moscow's hall of columns where his predecessor lay in state.

Together with nine other members of the ageing politburo, Mr. Andropov—grey-haired, bespectacled and somewhat taller than his colleagues—stood for several minutes in silence before the flower-decked bier where Mr. Brezhnev's body lay.

Mr. Brezhnev, party general secretary for 18 years, died on Wednesday, aged 75, after a heart attack. He is to be buried on Monday following a red square funeral.

After paying silent homage to Mr. Brezhnev, Mr. Andropov stepped forward and embraced his predecessor's widow, Viktoriya, and daughter, Galina. Other members of the politburo followed him, according to televised coverage.

Little is known about Mr. Andropov's own private life though he has a daughter who is believed to be married to an actor.

Mr. Andropov's unanimous election by the 500 members who comprise the all-powerful party central committee ended speculation over succession to the party's top post.

His 15-year-old chairmanship of the KGB security police up to May of this year had been widely seen as a severe drawback to his chances of succeeding to the highest party office.

There had been speculation that Mr. Brezhnev's close aide, Konstantin Chernenko, 71, would succeed his patron. But in the end it was Mr. Chernenko who nominated Mr. Andropov for the job.

Mr. Chernenko described Mr. Andropov as "a selfless Communist dedicated to the cause of the Leninist Party."

He particularly mentioned Mr. Andropov's experience in both domestic and foreign policy as well as ideology.

Members of the politburo, he said, believed that Mr. Andropov had absorbed "Brezhnev's style of leadership, Brezhnev's concern about the interests of the people."

He further praised what he called Mr. Andropov's modesty and respect for the opinion of others.

But he also said that it was "now twice, thrice, more important to conduct matters in the party collectively."

"Concerted, joint work in all party bodies will ensure further successes both in Communist construction and in our activities on the international scene," he said.

Many observers noted that Mr. Chernenko referred specifically to the "Brezhnev style of leadership."

They interpreted this and his other comments as an oblique warning to Mr. Andropov that he would be expected to adhere firmly to the principle of collective leadership as established by his predecessor.

Western diplomats were also struck by Mr. Andropov's militant

reference to reliance on the Soviet armed forces in his first speech effectively explaining his credentials to those who were due to elect him.

The diplomats noticed particularly a lack of any reference to détente, arms controls talks with the United States or relations with any other country.

Mr. Andropov said that Mr. Brezhnev as party and state leader and chairman of the defence council had "paid attention to ensuring that the country's defence capacity meets present-day requirements."

"In his speech, delivered to the party central committee after one minute's silence in memory of Mr. Brezhnev, Mr. Andropov said his predecessor had died as he tried to solve major social and economic tasks."

"It is our prime duty to accomplish these tasks, to translate consistently into life the home and foreign policy course of our party and the Soviet state, a course worked out under the leadership of Leonid Ilyich Brezhnev," he said.

In the present state of loss following Mr. Brezhnev's death, it was the duty of all Communists to close ranks more tightly "for the welfare of the Soviet people, for strengthening peace and for the triumph of Communism," Mr. Andropov said.

After his election, he pledged to devote all his "energy, knowledge and experience of life" to building Communism in line with the decisions of the latest party congress, improving economic and defence might, bettering the welfare of the Soviet people, strengthening peace and carrying out the domestic and foreign policies pursued by Mr. Brezhnev.

There had been speculation that the Communist Party leadership would wait until after Mr. Brezhnev's funeral next Monday before appointing a successor as party chief.

The hurriedly-convened plenary session of the central committee Friday appeared to reflect the desire of the party hierarchy to settle the leadership issue as quickly as possible.

No successor has yet been announced to Mr. Brezhnev in his post as Soviet President. This que-

Continued on page 3



Yuri Andropov

Jordan mourns Brezhnev

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Friday sent a cable of congratulations to Mr. Yuri Andropov on the occasion of his election as secretary general of the Soviet Communist Party following the death of President Leonid Brezhnev.

The cable affirms Jordan's commitment to the policy of friendship which "characterised Jordanian-Soviet relations in the era of the late President Leonid Brezhnev as well as constant eagerness to achieve further cooperation for the good of the friendly Jordanian and Soviet peoples."

The King wished Mr. Andropov success "in achieving the aspirations of the great Soviet people towards progress, prosperity and peace."

Earlier Thursday His Majesty King Hussein sent a cable to the Supreme Soviet expressing his condolences on the death of Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev.

In his cable, the King said he received the news of President Brezhnev's death with "deep grief and a sense of loss."

The King recalled that President Brezhnev played a prominent role in strengthening the relations of friendship and cooperation between Jordan and the Soviet Union as well as the positive and continuous development of these relations for the benefit of the two friendly countries and peoples in all fields.

"Mankind will never forget the stands of the late president in defending world peace and security as well as the Soviet Union's constant support of the Arabs' just causes, particularly the Palestinian issue, and the right of the Palestinian Arab people to regain their homeland and determine their own future on their national soil," the King said.

"On behalf of the Jordanian people, government and in my own name, I would like to extend to the Soviet leadership and to the family of the late president and the friendly peoples of the Soviet Union our warmest condolences and sympathy," the King added.

The Royal Court Thursday announced a three-day official mourning at President Brezhnev's death.

In Moscow, Jordanian ambassador to the Soviet Union and dozen of the Arab diplomatic corps there, Dr. Hani Al Khasawneh, has sent a cable of condolences to Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko on the death of the late President Leonid Brezhnev.

The cable said the Arab ambassadors in Moscow can only recall the late president's "prominent role in advancing Soviet-Arab friendship and defending the Arab causes, particularly the Palestinian cause."

60 reported killed in Tyre explosion

BEIRUT (R) — Lebanese army sources said Friday 60 people were killed and 125 wounded in an explosion which flattened the Israeli military headquarters in Tyre Thursday.

Israel said earlier Friday that 26 of its soldiers had died in the blast along with 15 Lebanese and Palestinians.

The Lebanese sources said Israeli troops had detained more than 200 people for questioning in connection with the destruction of the seven-storey Tyre headquarters.

Six giant cranes were removing rubble from the site but the work was progressing slowly and carefully in case there are still survivors. Three Israelis were pulled out alive earlier Friday from the mountain of fragmented reinforced concrete.

A previously unknown group calling itself the Armed Struggle Organisation said in a written statement in Arabic sent to foreign news agencies that it was responsible for the blast.

Israeli military sources, who have still not ruled out the possibility of an accidental explosion, said they assumed that the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) would have been behind any bomb attack.

Newspapers reported that Syrian and PLO forces in the Bekaa Valley of eastern Lebanon were on full alert in case of a retaliatory attack by the Israeli air force.

After major attacks on Israel in the past, before this summer's Israeli invasion of Lebanon, the Israelis often retaliated with attacks on Palestinian refugee camps in

Hussein back from talks with Fahd

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein and the delegation accompanying him returned to Amman early Friday at the end of a short visit to Saudi Arabia during which he had talks with King Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz on Palestinian issue and the results of Arab action on the international level carried out by the seven-member committee, stemming from the Fez summit conference.

They also discussed the committee's programme for the next phase, since King Hussein will head the committee in its visits to France, the Soviet Union and the People's Republic of China.

The two monarchs also discussed results of the talks which took place recently between Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

The Jordanian and Saudi sides also reviewed the developments of the Iraq-Iran war and the dangers posed by the entry of Iranian forces into Iraqi territory.

The two monarchs asserted the need for making all possible efforts to end the war and called on the big powers in particular to shoulder their responsibilities and act seriously to put an end to this war which threatens the security and peace of the area.

King Hussein pointed out that this war constitutes a direct threat to the Arab nation's entity and future and affirmed Jordan's

pan-Arab commitment to support Iraq in accordance with the Fez summit resolutions.

The two sides also discussed the close relations between the two countries and the aspects of coordination and cooperation in the various fields.

Attending the talks from the Jordanian side were Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Royal Court Chief Ahmad Al-Lawzi, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces Lt.-Gen. Shari Zaid Ibn Shaker, and the Jordanian ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

Attending from the Saudi side were Crown Prince and First Deputy Prime Minister, Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah Ibn Abdul Aziz, Second Deputy Prime Minister, Defence and Aviation Minister and Inspector-General of the Armed Forces Prince Sultan Ibn Abdul Aziz, the governor of Riyadh Prince Sulaiman Ibn Abdul Aziz, and Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faysal.

King Hussein was seen off at Riyadh airport by the Saudi monarch, princes, ministers and high-ranking officials.

At his departure from Amman airport, the King was seen off by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the court minister, the chief chamberlain, the Saudi ambassador in Amman and a number of officials.

Badran conveys King's message to Iraqi leader

AMMAN (Petra) — Prime Minister Mudar Badran on Thursday morning conveyed a message from His Majesty King Hussein to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Upon his return to Amman Thursday, Mr. Badran told the Jordanian News Agency, Petra, that he had talks with President Hussein on the latest developments involving the Iranian aggression on Iraq which has reached the point of violating Iraq's international borders as well as ways to implement the Fez summit resolutions in this regard.

Mr. Badran said the talks also dealt with the current Arab situation and the various aspects of inter-Arab relations.

The prime minister praised the courage and seamanship of the Iraqi army and its heroic confrontation of the Iranian attacks against Iraqi territory.

He also affirmed that the Iraqi fully support their wise leadership and that the Iraqi leadership and people are determined to repel the Iranian aggression.

Hussein to visit Morocco

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein will visit Morocco in the next few days to discuss with King Hassan II the results achieved by the Arab follow-up committee which the Moroccan monarch lead to the United States, the United Nations General Assembly and Security Council last month, a Royal Court official

said Thursday. King Hussein will head the next mission of the seven-member delegation which will visit France, the Soviet Union and the People's Republic of China in accordance with the programme set for this purpose in agreement with these states, the official added.

U.S. congressional team arrives, calls on King

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Majesty King Hussein received at Al Nawah Palace Friday a U.S. congressional delegation currently visiting the Middle East to assess latest developments and endeavours currently made to achieve just and comprehensive peace in the area.

King Hussein briefed the delegation, which arrived from Cairo Friday, on conditions in the area and made an assessment of initiatives made to achieve peace in the Middle East.

The King said the Fez Arab summit conference has shown the "Arabs' genuine and sure desire and unanimity to work for a com-

(Continued on page 3)



The late Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev lying in state Friday at the House of Unions. (A.P. photo)

Italians to debate Spadolini's resignation

ROME (R) — Italian Prime Minister Giovanni Spadolini appeared to have little chance Friday of putting his fallen government back on its feet as parliament prepared to debate a cabinet decision Thursday to resign.

Political sources said few members of parliament were ready to back Mr. Spadolini, although none of the five parties in his coalition wanted to take responsibility for driving him from office.

Confusion reigned in parliament and party leaders were holding frantic consultations to work out a formula for an honourable exit after President San-

doro Pertini Thursday refused to accept the resignation.

Mr. Spadolini, in offering to step down, said he had lost control of his cabinet after a public, personal feud between two key Christian Democratic and Socialist ministers.

Coalition and opposition parties said Friday a basic split over economic strategy in the fallen government made rescue efforts pointless, even if possible.

At the root of the crisis are a power struggle between the Christian Democrats and the Socialists, the two main coalition partners, and seemingly irreconcilable differences over which

section of society should foot the bill for austerity measures.

The Christian Democrats, who ceded the premiership to Mr. Spadolini after a series of scandals last year, are said to believe their efforts to clean up their image have readied them for a return to leadership.

The Socialists, the second largest group in the coalition, are pressing for a snap election hoping to boost their parliamentary base.

Mr. Spadolini's first government, Italy's 42nd, collapsed last August only to be reinstated unchanged a few weeks later.

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS IN AMMAN

informs with deepest regret and profound grief that Leonid Ilyich Brezhnev, General Secretary of the CPSU Central Committee and President of the Praesidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet, died on Nov. 10, 1982.

The embassy has the honour to inform, that the register of condolences will be opened at the embassy on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 13 and 14, 1982 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

HOME REPORTS

International Tennis Federation representative to report on game in Jordan

JTF works towards membership of ITF

By Reem Habayeb
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Last September, a representative from the International Tennis Federation (ITF) was at the Sports City watching Juniors from the Jordanian federation practice a sport which is becoming popular and getting more developed in Jordan. The purpose of Doug MacCurby's visit to Jordan on behalf of the ITF is to see the tennis facilities available, the activities of the Jordanian federation, and how far the game has been developed, and if it can be developed more.

The ITF is basically a voluntary organisation that is the governing body for tennis in the world. It makes the rules of the game, and is in charge of two major team competitions in the world: the Davis cup competition for men, which has been going on for 90 years; and the federation cup for women, which has been going on for 15 years. There are about 100 countries that are either full or associate members of the federation. The ITF started programmes for helping member countries that are not well developed in tennis, in response to their desire to enter the main stream of competitions, since those countries were paying their dues but were not represented in major competitions.

MacCurby, who has been visiting other countries in the area on behalf of the ITF, has been to Jordan so that he might write a report about what he has seen in Jordan, and to make recommendations on how Jordan can improve its potential in the field of tennis, so that Jordan, which is now an associate member of the ITF, may fulfill all the requirements for becoming a full member with voting rights. In a meeting with the Jordan Times, he spoke about what he has observed and what his reactions were.

Good facilities

The first thing that he noted was that all the tennis that is played in Jordan, is played in Amman. However he was very pleased with the facilities available, and said that they are comparable with

anywhere in the world. He praised the Jordanian federation for its achievements in this field, and was impressed that there soon will be courts available to the public, that one will be able to go and practise at, without having to be a member of any club. "This", he said "is a great achievement, because that is how you develop the game and discover players with new potentials". Asked on whether he thinks there is room for improvement in any area he said, "no they are doing a great job; you have good basic, good tennis courts, a good tennis community, good interest, you just need to broaden the base. One of the major steps would be to train some Jordanian coaches". He thought that the standard of the junior players is good, although they would not be competitive with top international players, but he said that they will be the catalyst for the future players, and that it will take a couple of groups coming through before there is enough competition to stimulate people to play better.

The Jordan Times also spoke with Mr. Nasser Mirza, a member of the Jordanian Tennis Federation, and asked him about the federation, its aims, achievements, and activities. The federation was established three years ago. Its first aim was to find out how many courts there are in Jordan and how many players. There turned out to be 60 courts between public and private, and around 400 players. The first step to develop the game in Jordan was to train juniors, which they started two years ago, with the help of Mrs. Maureen Stella, who has been their coach, and hopes to stay on further.

The federation has already sent two groups of juniors abroad for one month intensive training courses. The first year six boys were sent for training, and this year four boys and two girls went. The federation has organised six local championships which have been quite successful, and have shown good results in the training of the juniors, since this is the first year that a junior takes the cup in the local championship. They have also participated in three junior

competitions outside Jordan. One was in Iraq where Jordan came third out of ten countries participating. The other was in Tunis where Jordan was fifth out of ten, and the third was a competition between the Jordanian team, and the Bahraini team, which took place in Bahrain, and the Jordanian team won.

The major achievements for the tennis federation has been the construction of six courts for the federation, open for the public. The courts are fully equipped, and they also have lights for night play. The federation will encourage people to practise for a minimal fee, and if they cannot afford that, they will be able to practise for free during certain hours, where they will also be provided with tennis rackets and tennis balls for the practice free of charge. The federation is recruiting a coach for this summer

when the courts will be inaugurated, and hopefully will be able to invite some international player.

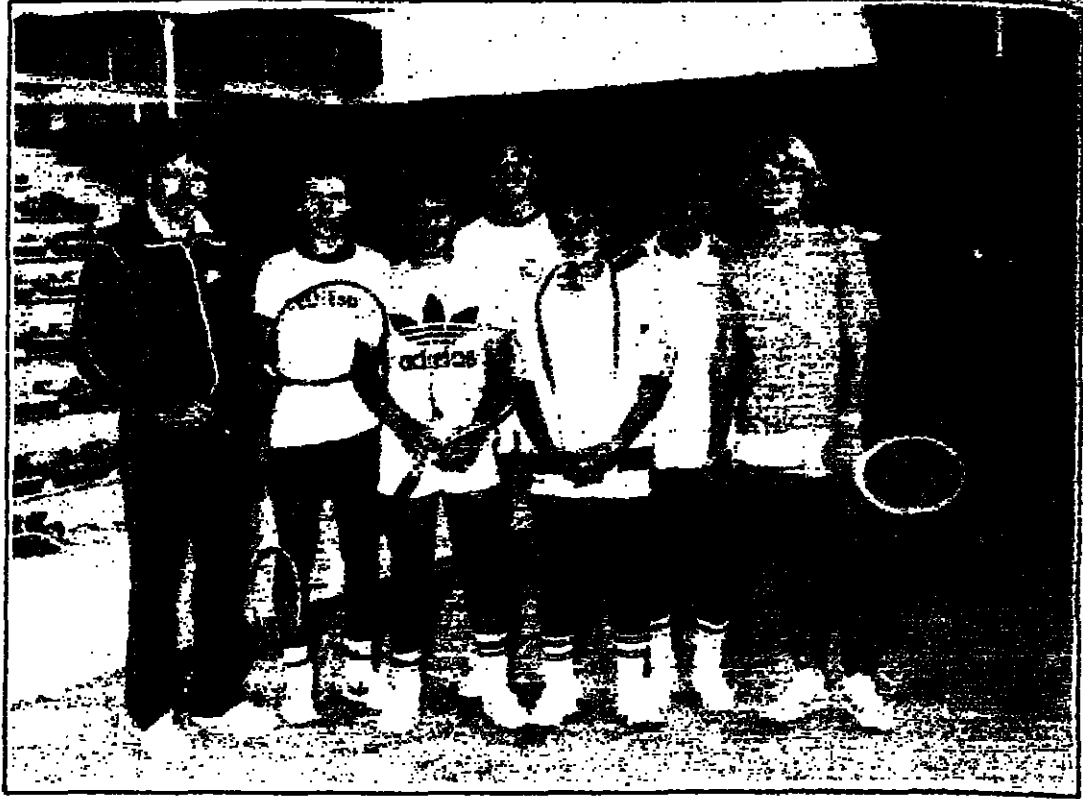
Main problems

The federation is not without problems. Their main one, is to find local coaches. The federation is ready to send on its own expense anyone who has the potential of becoming a good tennis player, to go to a tennis college, and learn the proper technique and way of coaching; this person will be expected to come back and devote his time only for coaching juniors. The problem they face is that most people want to play the game for the fun of it and take it as a hobby, and it is hard to find somebody who will consider it as a career.

The second problem that the federation faces is the question of funds. The membership fees can

hardly cover the expenses, so the federation relies on donations. It is worthwhile to note that a fully equipped court costs in the range of JD 10,000 to 12,000. However the federation is optimistic and is looking for new ways for fund raising. The first good sign is the growing interest in the game. They have noted that the applicants for the first competition, three years ago, were 50 applicants, this year the number rose to 300, which is a great improvement.

Finally, the Jordanian Tennis Federation hopes that in a period of two years it will be able to fulfill all the requirements for becoming a full member of the ITF. Since it is such a short period to have to train local coaches, it seems that the federation will have to rely on foreign coaches for the coming couple of years, and maybe even more if no one shows enough interest in the game as a career.



The ITF representative, Mr. Doug MacCurby, with a Jordanian team in the Sports City in Amman

American Centre proves part of cultural mainstream in Amman

By Gamini Akmeemana
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Try and think of a place in Amman where you can see an old John Ford film, and the obvious place that comes to your mind is the American Centre. It is undoubtedly a place of film, the excellent choice of films it offers to movie buffs in Amman. Quite unintentionally, the American Centre has become a favourite spot among movie-goers, a place where you can walk in free and watch your film uninterrupted by commercials as well as sellers of peanuts and soft drinks.

Naturally, films rank high among its offerings for the remainder of this year and the coming one. But the wide screen is hardly the centre's only medium of spreading its message. It has a long list of exhibitions, lectures, musical performances in the offing. The American Centre in Amman, part of a worldwide network run by the United States Information Service (USIS), now known within the U.S. as the United States Information Agency (USIA), has been an integral, if unobtrusive, part of the cultural mainstream of Amman since its establishment in 1952. Its present location, off the Third Circle in Jabal Amman, may suggest to the casual visitor that the centre has always been there. But this is not the case.

In the first two decades of its existence, from 1952 to 1973, the centre was moved no less than six times. It was burned down twice, first in 1954, at its first location in King Hussein Street, and again in 1979, when it was located at the Old Insurance Building at the First Circle.

There was a bomb attack in 1954, when it was located in Kab-

artai Street. It was situated for one year in the same building that houses the U.S. Embassy today before being moved to the present site in 1973. This itinerary may bring to your mind a travelling circus, but the centre is one of the quietest places in Amman, and nearly a decade spent in one place is beginning to give it an air of being here to stay.

Before 1967, the centre in Amman acted together to a very large extent with the one in East Jerusalem. But the Israeli occupation of the West Bank put a stop to that.

In contrast to the other foreign cultural centres in Amman, the American Centre operates today on a much more diminished scale than it did a decade ago. Today, it offers video and feature films, holds exhibitions, lectures, concerts and houses a library. It no longer offers English-language courses, handles International Visitor's Grants (IVGs) or American Field Service (AFS) scholarships. But, as Ms. Ruby Apple, the centre's new director, pointed out, that does not mean that these activities have ceased to be. They have simply been taken over by such organisations as Amideast, thus facilitating the work of the Centre as a Cultural organisation. This work is handled by the cultural and programming sections.

Perhaps the American Centre is best known today for the frequent and wide variety of films it offers. It has just concluded a highly successful festival of recent American films — the Godfather Parts I and II, Rocky and Saturday Night Fever. The films were so popular that extra screenings had to be arranged for each film, and the small auditorium was packed for each screening.

The Godfather and Rocky are films that have been much criticised for their vivid portrayals of violence. But the fact is that people who went to see them at the centre in Amman responded enthusiastically. But not all the films shown at the centre are violent; even when violence is shown, the portrayals are not necessarily equally vivid. The centre offers as wide a selection of good-quality American films as possible to the public in Amman. Last summer, it showed Moby Dick. This spring, there was Citizen Kane. During the summer, there was the Treasure of the Sierra Madre.

Main asset

But the centre's main asset is the library, which stocks 40,000 books today. This is considerably less than the 10,000 it had earlier, but plans are afoot to bring the number up to 5,000. Mrs. Jumana Essau, the librarian, told the Jordan Times that the centre is used mainly by professionals, followed by students, academics and government employees. The largest number of books belong to the literature and fiction shelves — there are 6,901.

The library has large number of valuable reference books, too. There are 629 of these. The number of books on pure sciences happens to be 11, due to the fact that the centre gave away its collection area to the University of Jordan some time ago. Books on literature and fiction also happen to be the most widely read as well, followed by books on art and economics and management.

How well is the library used? There are 1,100 members. What sort of people are they? About 40 per cent are students. The others

range from businessmen to teachers and secretaries. Significantly, the most widely-read are books on topics related to economics — understandable enough in a boom town like Amman. The library gets about 50 new members each month. But this does not represent a dramatic increase in the long run because professionals in Amman, the largest group of users of the library, tend to have a high turnover rate.

What about that primordial problem shared by libraries all over the world — members hardly ever, or never, return the books they borrow? Mrs. Rosalie Yerganian, the assistant librarian, says that this problem, as far as the centre library is concerned, is negligible. The services of the library are free, and nothing is charged from those members who borrow a book for two weeks and then keep it for three or four.

The American Centre has what is probably the best reading room in Amman. It is an atmosphere shared by such centres all over the world, from cold northern climates to hot tropical ones. The reader is not necessarily confined to sitting school-room style at a large table, staring automatically into the face of the person sitting opposite him every time he happens to take his eyes off his reading material. You can relax in a comfortable sofa while reading. At any given time of the day, though, the library is sparsely populated, which is surprising considering the number of popular magazines it offers as reference material, ranging from the New Yorker to National Geographic.

A lot of people do come to read the magazines. But the centre would like to have more. It is also possible to look up a back issue of your favourite magazine, not

older than six months, because all magazines are kept neatly catalogued and easily within reach. The back issues can be borrowed.

Another popular feature of the centre is the weekly CBS Evening News programmes, shown on video every Tuesday at 12:00 noon and 4:00 and 7:00 p.m. The number of viewers is always small, but regular. The news used to be shown inside the library but now it is in the auditorium.

To anyone taught to say fall instead of autumn, the centre may come as first choice when thinking of library facilities available in English in Amman. But to those who say both fall and autumn, the choice of books may seem somewhat limited. Apart from those writers who are disputed by both the United States and Britain, the only Western writer whose work is available is Russian exile author Alexander Solzhenitsyn. Perhaps it is ironic that no books by the same author are available at the Soviet Cultural Centre. But there are several Arab poets, including Kahlil Gibran.

It must be said that the American Centre, like other similar organisations, does not undertake to propagate cultures other than its own.

Local materials

What connections does the centre have with Jordanian culture? Its facilities are available to Jordanians. But how much has been achieved? The centre gives preference to people who have some sort of ties to the U.S. They may be, but do not have to be, individuals educated in an American college.

Last year, the centre exhibited the paintings of James V. Hale, an

American teaching at Yarmouk University. Then there was an exhibition of paintings by the Jordanian painter, Mohammed Durra. But the appearance of such Jordanian items has been infrequent and irregular.

One reason for the relative absence of local material is that, as Mrs. Leila Salameh, the programme specialist, pointed out, the centre uses a strict criterion when it comes to deciding what should be exhibited and what should not be. There is certainly no shortage of people dropping in all the time and asking for an opportunity to exhibit their work. One would like to see more Jordanian features at the centre. But one must also remember that the centre's primary function is to tell Jordanians what American culture is all about.

It spends a great deal of time, effort and money doing just that. The centre has held a large number of exhibitions, giving people a chance to have a first-hand look at indigenous American material. Movie buffs will be happy to know that more films will be shown at the centre in the predictable future. The programming section is busy trying to arrange a Henry Ford film festival next year. There is a long list of exhibitions, ranging from high-tech photography and jazz to archaeology and painting. In November there is going to be a celebration for the 30th anniversary of U.S.AID. Among other offerings will be a classical guitar recital, and an interesting assortment of lectures. After all that, one would hardly be in a position to complain about the lack of something else.

This is the second in the series of articles about cultural centres in Amman.



Mr. Doug MacCurby gives instructions

TV & RADIO

JORDAN TELEVISION

MAIN CHANNEL

05:30 Koran
06:30 Cartoons
06:45 Little Hands
07:00 Move In on
07:30 Local Programme
07:30 Agricultural Programme
08:00 News in Arabic
08:30 Arabic Series
09:25 Wrestling
10:25 News Summary
11:00 News in Arabic
11:10 Arabic Play

FOREIGN CHANNEL

06:30 French Programme
07:00 News in French
07:30 News in Hebrew
08:30 Comedy
09:00 Doctor
09:30 Saturday Variety Show
10:00 News in English
10:15 Feature Film

RADIO JORDAN

855 KHz AM & 90 MHz FM
& punts on 450 KHz SW

07:10 Morning Show
07:30 News Bulletin
10:00 News Summary
12:00 News Summary
12:05 Pop Session
14:00 News Bulletin
14:30 Picnic Time
15:00 Concert Hour
16:00 News Summary
16:05 Instrumentals
17:00 Jordan Weekly
17:30 Special Feature
18:00 News Summary
18:05 Special Feature
18:30 Great Books of Islam
19:00 News Summary
19:30 Top Twenty
20:30 Date with a Star
21:00 News Summary
21:05 Classical Concert
21:30 News Summary
22:00 First Spin
23:00 News Summary
23:05 Country Music
24:00 News Headlines, Sign Off

BBC WORLD SERVICE

630, 720, 1413 KHz

06:00 Newsweek 06:30 Before the Rock
Set in 06:45 Financial News 06:55 Reflections
07:00 World News 07:09 British
Press Review 07:15 About Britain 07:30
New Ideas 07:40 Book Choice 07:45
The World Today 08:00 Newsweek
08:30 Album Time 08:40 World News
09:09 News about Britain 09:15 From
the Weeklies 09:30 Classical Record
Review 09:45 Network U.K. 10:00
World News 10:09 Reflections 10:15
Star Profile 10:30 Brothers in Law
11:00 World News 11:09 British Press
Review 11:15 The World Today 11:30
Financial News 11:40 Look Ahead
11:45 Science in Action 12:15 What's
New 12:30 My Music 13:00 World News
13:09 News about Britain 13:15 About
Britain 13:30 Meridian 14:00 Radio
Newsweek 14:15 Anything Goes 14:45
Sports Round-up 15:00 World News
15:09 Commentary 15:15 Network U.K.
15:30 The Other Side of Silence 16:00
They Write the Song 16:30 Fiesta 17:00
Radio Newsweek 17:15 Saturday Special
18:00 World News 18:09 Commentary
18:15 Saturday Special 19:00 News
Summary 19:02 Saturday Special 19:09
Book Choice 19:15 The Magic of...
19:45 Sports Round-up 20:00 World
News 20:09 News about Britain 20:15
Radio Newsweek 20:30 The Recruiting
Office 21:30 Album Time 21:45 Gems
for the Piano 22:00 News Summary 22:09
Commentary 22:15 Good Books 22:30
Elizabeth Soderstrom 23:15 Sagittarius
Rising 23:30 People and Politics 24:00
World News 24:09 From Our Own Cor-
respondent 06:30 New Ideas 06:40 Reflec-
tions 06:45 Sports Round-up 07:00
World News 07:09 Commentary 07:15
Letterbox 07:30 Meridian

VOICE OF AMERICA

05:00 The Breakfast Show: 17:00 News
and This Week 17:30 Press Conference
USA 18:00 Special English: News,
Words, and Their Stories, Feature:
Short Stories 18:30 New York, New
York 19:00 Weekend 20:00 Special Eng-
lish 20:30 New York, New York 21:00
News and This Week 21:30 Press Con-
ference USA 22:00 Special English:
news/words and their stories 23:15
Music USA (Jazz) 23:00 Weekend

WHAT'S GOING ON

TODAY'S EVENTS

EXHIBITIONS

* Paintings by Ma'moun Dabbas, at the
Goethe Institute.
* Paintings by Yusef Hussein, at the
British Council.

CULTURAL CENTRES

American Centre tel. 41520
British Council 36147-8
French Cultural Centre 37009
Goethe Institute 41983
Soviet Cultural Centre 44203
Spanish Cultural Centre 39777
Haya Arts Centre 665195
Husseini Youth City 67181
Y.W.C.A. 41793
Amman Municipal Library 36111
University of Jordan Library 84355

MUSEUMS

Folklore Museum: Jewelry and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 51760.
Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qal'a (Citadel) Amman. Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.). Closed Tuesdays.
Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculpture by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. (Muntazah, Jabal) Lulweth. Opening hours: 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 30128.
Military Museum: Collection of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Closed

Sundays, Tel. 664240.

Popular Life of Jordan Museum: 100 to 150 year old items such as costumes, weapons, musical instruments, etc.
Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 37194.

SERVICE CLUBS

Lions Amman Club. Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the International Hotel, 1:30 p.m.
Lions Philadelphia Club. Meetings every second and fourth Wednesday at the Grand Palace Hotel, 1:30 p.m.
Philadelphia Rotary Club. Meetings every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn, 1:30 p.m.
Rotary Club. Meetings every Tuesday at the International Hotel, 2:00 p.m.
Royal Automobile Club. Jabal Amman, Eighth Circle. Tel. 815261.

CHURCHES

St. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic) Church of Amman, tel. 24590.
Church of the Annunciation (Roman Catholic) Jabal Lulweth-ch, 37440.
De la Salle Church (Catholic) Jabal Hussein, 661757.
Orthodox Church of the Annunciation (Greek Orthodox) Adabi, 23541.
Anglican Church (Church of the Redeemer) Jabal Amman, 43453.
Armenian Catholic Church Ashrafieh, 71331.
Armenian Orthodox Church Ashrafieh, 75261.
St. Ephraim Church (Syrian Orthodox) Ashrafieh, 71751.
Armenian International Church (Inter-denominational): meets at Southern Baptist School in Shmeisani, 663249.

PRAYER TIMES

04:36 Fajr
06:03 (Sunrise) Shuruq
11:28 Dhuhur
14:17 'Asr
16:37 Maghrib
18:01 Isha

FOR THE TRAVELLER

AMMAN AIRPORT

This information is supplied by Alfa Information department at Amman Airport, tel. 92305-6, where it should always be verified.

ARRIVALS

06:45 Cairo (EA)
08:45 Cairo (RJ)
08:55 Agaba (RJ)
09:15 Abu Dhabi (RJ)
09:35 Karachi, Dubai (RJ)
09:40 New York, Vienna (RJ)
09:45 Kuwait (RJ)
10:15 Beirut (RJ)
10:50 Abu Dhabi, Doha (GA)
11:00 Abu Dhabi (SA)
14:30 Kuwait (KAC)
14:30 Cairo (RJ)
16:00 Belgrade, Istanbul (RJ)
16:25 Frankfurt, Geneva (RJ)
17:15 New York, Vienna (RJ)
17:30 Copenhagen, Athens (RJ)
18:05 Rome (Alitalia)
18:20 Athens (GA)
18:30 Cairo (RJ)
19:15 Frankfurt, Geneva (RJ)
20:40 Beirut (MEA)
22:30 Baghdad (RJ)
00:30 Cairo (RJ)
00:45 Baghdad (RJ)
01:45 Cairo (EA)

DEPARTURES

06:45 Larnaca, Frankfurt (LH)
07:00 Agaba (RJ)
07:45 Beirut, Paris (AF)
07:50 Cairo (EA)
11:00 Vienna, New York (RJ)
11:15 Tunis, Casablanca (RJ)
11:30 Athens (GA)
11:55 Zurich (SR)
12:00 Paris, London (RJ)
12:05 Frankfurt, Brussels (RJ)
12:15 Geneva, Paris (RJ)
12:30 Cairo (RJ)
14:30 Cairo (RJ)
15:30 Kuwait (KAC)
16:30 Baghdad (RJ)
18:45 Beirut (RJ)
19:00 Kuwait (RJ)
19:00 Bahrain, Abu Dhabi (GA)
19:30 Jeddah (RJ)

MONEY EXCHANGE

Local sell/buy rates in Jds

Belgian franc 72.6 / 73
Dutch guilder 129.4 / 130.2
Egyptian pound 355 / 359
French franc 49.0 / 50.2
Iraqi dinar 638 / 643.3
Italian lire (for 100) 24.5 / 24.7
Japanese yen (for 100) 134.8 / 135.6
Kuwaiti dinar 1223.7 / 1224.2
Lebanese lira 85.6 / 86.4
Omani rial 1047.0 / 1053.6
Qatari riyal 94.8 / 101
Saudi riyal 105.7 / 106
Swedish crown 48.4 / 48.7
Swiss franc 164.4 / 165.4
Syrian lira 63.1 / 63.9
UAE dirham 99.1 / 99.3
U.K. sterling pound 604.7 / 608.3
U.S. dollar 363.5 / 365.3
W. German mark 141.1 / 141.6

WEATHER

Bulletin supplied by the Department of Meteorology.

It will continue to be partly cloudy with scattered showers in the centre and eastern parts. The winds will be northerly to easterly. In Agaba, it will be partly cloudy with a probability of scattered showers. The winds will be northerly to moderate and seas calm.

Low/high temperature in deg.C
Amman 16/13
Agaba 11/22
Deserts 4/14
Jordan Valley 11/21

Yesterday's high temperature readings:
Amman 12, Agaba 21. Humidity readings:
Amman 95 per cent. Agaba 37 per cent.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NOS.

EMERGENCIES

Ambulance 193, 75111
Fire, fire, police 199
Blood bank 75121
Civil Defence rescue 64111
Fire headquarters 22090-3
Police rescue 192, 21111, 37777
Police headquarters 39141
Traffic police 56390-1
Electric Power Co 36381-2
Municipal water service 71125-8

HOSPITALS

Husseini Medical Centre 813813-32
Khalid Maternity, J. Amman 44281-4
Al-Halsh J. Amman 42441
Jabal Amman Maternity 42362
Malhas, J. Amman 36140
Palestine, Shmeisani 664171-4
Shmeisani Hospital 669131-5
University Hospital 845845
Dar Al-Shifa, J. Hussein 667158
Al-Musabir Hospital 667221-9
The Islamic, Adabi 665292
Al-Ahli, Adabi 664164
Cable, Adabi 77101-3
Al-Bashir, J. Ashrafieh 75111
Army, Marka 91611

NIGHT DUTY

AMMAN
Dr. Mohammed I. Khalil 76294-55814
Dr. Nabil Al Mawla 328, 38356
Al Salam pharmacy 36730
Halsh J. Amman 71110
Al Shakhshir pharmacy (-)
Al Hashani pharmacy 51690
Assad pharmacy 53291
Sultan taxi 51988
Al Nabhad taxi 63003
Al Kamak taxi 68761
Umayyah taxi 75780
IRBID
Dr. Adnan Al Nadhir 2415-72418
Al Shera' pharmacy 75825
ZARQA
Dr. Barakat Hashrawi 83038-81795
Royal pharmacy (-)

GENERAL

Jordan Television 73111
Radio Jordan 73111
Ministry of Tourism 42311
Hotel complaints 664162
Price complaints 661176
Information 12
Jordan and Middle East calls 10
Overseas calls 17
Cable or telegram 18
Repair service 11

MARKET PRICES

Upper/lower price in Jds per kg
Apple (Africa) 340 / 200
Apple (America) 240 / 200
Apple (Double Red) 280 / 220
Apple (Golden) 210 / 180
Apple (Japanese) 250 / 200
Apple (Local) 250 / 200
Apple (Starline) 220 / 180
Banana 260 / 200
Banana (Mukannar) 225 / 180
Beans 320 / 280
Beets 180 / 150
Bonal 200 / 160
Cabbage 140 / 120
Carrot 210 / 180
Cauliflower (white) 210 / 180
Cucumber (large) 140 / 120
Cucumber (small) 180 / 150
Dates 200 / 160
Eggplant (small) 180 / 150
Garlic 480 / 400
Grapes 310 / 280
Grapes (black) 310 / 280
Grapefruit 120 / 100
Guava 250 / 200
Lemon (local) 150 /

Ramadan visits Jordan pavilion at Baghdad fair

BAGHDAD (Petra) — Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister and Revolutionary Command Council member Taha Yassin Ramadan Thursday visited the Jordanian pavilion at the Baghdad International Fair.

Mr. Ramadan praised Jordanian-Iraqi relations, and stressed the importance of strengthening economic relations between the two fraternal countries. He expressed appreciation of the Jordanian exhibits, which show the extent of economic advancement in Jordan.

Mr. Ramadan expressed hope that the volume of trade between the countries will increase, and pointed out that the Iraqi government is ready to offer every possible help and support to Jordan.

Mr. Ramadan was accompanied on his tour by Iraqi Trade Minister Hassan Ali, and several senior Iraqi officials.

Arab Broadcasting Union continues Amman meeting

AMMAN (Petra) — A seminar to discuss the results of the first session of the regional broadcasting conference of the Arab Broadcasting Union (ABU), held in Geneva early this year, continued its meetings Thursday at the Amman Chamber of Industry.

The representative of the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) delivered a lecture on the interference in frequencies, particularly FM, and the protection of transmission waves against interference.

The head of the Engineering Department at Radio Jordan, Usamah Asfourah, presented a working paper including the principles and rules which should be followed among the Arab countries to ensure a better coverage of the FM waves.

Police officers complete juvenile delinquency course

AMMAN (Petra) — The Social Work Community College Thursday concluded a training course for police officers dealing with juvenile delinquents.

Minister of Social Development In'am Al Mufli said in an address to the graduates the delinquency of the young is a problem which requires experienced cadres, capable of applying modern methods.

The ministry has worked for setting up social centres at police stations in Amman, Irbid and Zarqa to cope with needs for dealing with delinquents through modern educational methods, the minister added.

The minister pointed out that cooperation among government departments to deal with this problem coordinates efforts for social Assistant Director Brig.-Gen. Issa of great importance to the Public Security Department, which is a matter of great importance to the Public Security Department, law courts and social service institutions.



Minister of Social Development Mrs. In'am Al Mufli Thursday hands over course completion certificate to a police officer who underwent a training course in juvenile delinquency (Petra photo)

Public Security Department Assistant Director Brig.-Gen. Issa Al Umari said more courses for officers dealing with juvenile delinquents will be held regularly. He expressed appreciation of the efforts exerted by the Ministry of Social Development, and cooperation between the ministry and the Public Security Department.

The twenty participants, who completed the course Thursday, received theoretical instruction on Jordanian laws, functions of the juvenile courts, origins of delinquency as well as protection and rehabilitation programmes.

The newspaper Magyar Nemzet said he believed that "by developing the defensive force of the Soviet Union no one can upset the existing balance and gain superiority over others."

China, at loggerheads with the Soviet Union for the two decades, said it hoped relations would improve.

The Vice-Chairman of the National People's Congress, Ulanfu, said China hoped relations "will move towards normalisation step by step."

Western diplomats saw his remarks as reflecting a desire to continue talks, the first at senior level since 1979, begun shortly before Mr. Brezhnev died.

Reaction in the Third World ran on predictable lines, with praise for Mr. Brezhnev from Moscow's friends and correct condolences from others. Several countries declared periods of official mourning for Mr. Brezhnev.

President Shahu Shagari of non-aligned Nigeria said Mr. Brezhnev would be particularly remembered for his support for African liberation movements "and his unqualified opposition to apartheid and racial injustice as well as colonialism."

Eyewitnesses said later Mr. Kirilenko was present at Mr. Brezhnev's coffin when other poliburo members paid their respects but stood well away from the Kremlin leaders.

They said Mr. Kirilenko, long considered a likely successor to Mr. Brezhnev, looked frail and wept briefly as he embraced the widow. The fact that the party veteran was not in the official line-up was further evidence that he has suffered some kind of political disgrace.

The delegation is headed by Director of the Congressional Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East Lee Hamilton.

The meeting was attended by the U.S. charge d'affaires in Amman.

An American embassy official told the Jordan Times that Mr. Hamilton and his delegation will also meet with Information Minister Adnan Abu Odah,

Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces Lt.-Gen. Zaid Ibn Shaker and other military officials. They will also meet with National Consultative Council (NCC) members before leaving Amman for a short visit to Saudi Arabia Saturday evening.

The official said the delegation's visit to Israel, Egypt, Jordan and Saudi Arabia is being undertaken "to study the changing political scene in the Middle East."

British foreign secretary leaves after Amman talks

AMMAN (Petra) — British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym left Amman Thursday at the end of a three-day official visit to Jordan during which he met His Majesty King Hussein, His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, and a number of high-ranking government and military officials.

Mr. Pym's talks dealt with the latest developments in the Middle East situation and Europe's role in contributing towards the achievement of a comprehensive settlement in the area.

The talks also dealt with the deteriorating conditions in the occupied Arab territories and Israeli practices against the residents of the occupied territories as well as matters of joint interest to Jordan and Britain.

Mr. Pym was seen off at Amman Airport by Foreign Minister Marwan Al Qasem, Industry and Trade Minister Walid Asfour, the dozen of the diplomatic corps in Amman, British Ambassador in Amman Alan Urwick, and ambassadors of the European Economic Community (EEC) member countries in Amman.

Sharif Zaid receives U.S. official

AMMAN (Petra) — Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Lt.-Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker received at his office Thursday head of the Middle East section at the U.S. National Security Council Geoffrey Kemp.



Jordanian Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Lt.-Gen. Sharif Zaid (second from left) Thursday confers with Geoffrey Kemp, (to Sharif Zaid's left), head of the Middle East section at the U.S. National Security Council (Petra photo)

Exhibition to mark King's birthday

AMMAN (Petra) — On the occasion of the birthday of His Majesty King Hussein, which falls on Sunday, an exhibition of handicrafts will be opened Monday at the Comprehensive School for Girls in Shmeisani under the patronage of Her Majesty Queen Noor.

Several charitable societies and development centres will participate in the four-day exhibition which is co-organised by the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities and the Ministry of Social Development.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Roads reported safe for traffic

AMMAN (Petra) — The Public Security Department Thursday announced that most roads in the country are now fit for traffic due to efforts made by the competent authorities to remove the hazards which closed down the roads as a result of heavy rainfall in the last few days. The directorate said that some minor and dirt roads are still unfit for traffic.

Education officials appointed

AMMAN (Petra) — Minister of Education Sa'ad Al Tal Thursday named Mr. Usama Abdul Hamid Al Sayeh as director-general of Balqa Directorate Education Department. Mr. Taisir Arafah has been transferred to the ministry as head of the educational activities, and Mr. Mohammed Abu Al Tayib as adviser.

Agreement expected to market olives

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan Cooperative Organisation (JCO), Director General Hasan Al Nabulsi Thursday discussed with a delegation representing the federation of societies of olive presses in the occupied West Bank ways of marketing the products of these societies to government employees in Jordan. Mr. Nabulsi said that an agreement is expected to be signed later on fixing the prices and the quantities which the JCO will market. The organisation marketed the products of these societies in past years.

Labour education course ends in Aqaba

AQABA (Petra) — A course in labour education, attended by 30 participants from private and public enterprises, concluded in Aqaba Thursday. During the 10-day course, the participants received lectures on the Jordanian labour law, social security, income tax, labour health and industrial safety.

Assyrian patriarch makes stopover

AMMAN (Petra) — Patriarch of Antioch and the Orient St. Agnatus Zakka I, the supreme head of the Assyrian Orthodox Church in the World, Thursday made a stopover in Amman en route in Iraq. Members of the Assyrian Orthodox Church in the world are estimated at seven million, including three million in the eastern part of the Arab World.

Jordanian in international arts exhibition

PARIS (Petra) — Jordanian artist Ophimia Rizq participated in the 14th international exhibition of fine arts in Paris held recently by exhibiting a number of paintings representing Jordan's History and Civilisation. The director of the exhibition praised the high artistic standard of the Jordanian woman and Jordan's participation in the exhibition. Mrs. Rizq was granted a golden medal for her participation in an international art exhibition in Tokyo last year.

Students visit deaf and dumb centre

AMMAN (Petra) — Female students of the elementary education department at the Princess Alia College visited Friday the Queen Alia Centre for the Deaf and Dumb where they saw the modern equipment used and method of teaching at the centre. They were also briefed by the centre's director on the goals and services rendered by the centre to its inmates and the humanitarian role it is playing in caring for the deaf and dumb. On the other hand, Princess Alia College Director Birzat Kamal discussed during her meeting with the mothers of children at the college's nursery the conditions of the nursery and ways of improving its services.

Ministry approves industrial licences

AMMAN (Petra) — The Planning Committee at the Ministry of Industry and Trade approved in a meeting held Thursday presided over by Under-Secretary Mohammad Saleh Al Horani licences for a number of new industries in the country.

The committee approved the establishment of a plant for producing children's food with a capital of JD 500,000, a plant for producing of wooden vegetable boxes with a capital of JD 300,000, and a plant for the production of fiber glass products with a capital of JD 280,000.

The committee also approved licences for a plant for kitchen cabinets and office equipment with a capital of JD 250,000, a plant for natural and artificial drinks with a capital of JD 200,000, a plant for the production of fruit juices with a capital of JD 132,000.

The committee also approved the setting up of two chocolate plants with capitals of JD 150,000 and JD 100,000 respectively.

The committee also granted licence for a plant for producing glass pipes with a capital of JD 60,000, a plant for manufacturing marble and gravel at a cost of JD 60,000, a marble and tile plant with a capital of JD 50,000, and a metal-heating plant at a cost of JD 31,000.

The committee also approved the establishment of a big bakery with a capital of JD 100,000, a plant for manufacturing women clothes with a capital of JD 120,000 in addition to several other projects.

Obeidat invited to attend interior ministers' conference

AMMAN (Petra) — Interior Minister Ahmad Obeidat Thursday received at his office Director of Local Government at the Moroccan Interior Ministry Al Rashidi Al Ghazawati, who conveyed an invitation to Mr. Obeidat to attend an Arab interior ministers conference to be held in Rabat in mid-December.

The meeting was attended by the Interior Ministry under-secretary and the Moroccan ambassador in Amman.

The Moroccan guest arrived in Amman Thursday morning.

Electricity authority reports completion of regional network

AMMAN (Petra) — The Jordan Electricity Authority (JEA) has completed linking the central and southern parts of the country with power supply lines, particularly in Al Qatraneh, Karak, potash plants in Ghor Al Safi, phosphate plants in Al Hassa and cement plants in Al Rashadiyeh and Ma'an, according to JEA spokesman.

The spokesman added that several projects are currently being implemented in rural areas in the southern part of the country and that 90 per cent of these areas are expected to be electrified by 1985.

Chamber of Commerce names 12-member board of directors

AMMAN (Petra) — The results of the elections of the board of directors of the Amman Chamber of Commerce for 1982/83 were announced Thursday.

The elected businessmen were: Hamdi Al Tabba', who won 977 votes; Adnan Darwazah, (947 votes); Mohammad Al Hajj Dhib, (917 votes); Himsi, (851 votes); Tawfiq Kassar, (790 votes); Sa'ad Ma'rouk, (749 votes); Ahmad Ghannim, (733 votes); Hassan Zakaria, (726 votes); Hashem Tuqan, (704 votes); Hani Al Hajj Hassan, (644 votes); Omar Mustafa Abu Zaid, (639 votes) and Marwan Al Zibdah, (599 votes). A total of 17 candidates competed for the 12-seat board of directors.

MALAYALAM SERVICE

There will be a **HOLY MASS** (Malayalam Service) in Ashrafiyeh St. Ephraim Syrian Orthodox Church

at 9 a.m. on Nov. 14, Sunday

by

The Very Rev. Remban Benniyamin Joseph

Continued from page 1

Andropov succeeds Brezhnev

tion is expected to be settled when the Supreme Soviet (parliament) meets on Nov. 23.

Troops and police sealed off central Moscow Friday as intensive preparations went ahead for Monday's funeral, to be attended by east bloc chiefs and leaders from throughout world.

Barriers were set up on all roads leading to the city centre and thousands of uniformed men lined pavements and manned checkpoints.

Mr. Brezhnev's body lay in state on a bier bedecked with red and white flowers and flags and surrounded by floral wreaths from ministries and party organisations throughout the country.

The body was dressed in a black jacket, tie and white shirt. Flowers covered the lower half of his body.

Almost all members of the politburo, dressed in dark suits and wearing red and black armbands, stood for several moments before the coffin before expressing their condolences to Mrs. Brezhnev and Mr. Brezhnev's daughter who sat, dressed in black, to one side of the bier.

Absent from the politburo line-up were Andrei Kirilenko, 76, a longtime associate of Mr. Brezhnev's, and Arvid Pelshe, 83, a veteran of the Kremlin political scene.

Mr. Kirilenko's political career is now considered effectively to be over.

Lines of soldiers stood to attention around the house of unions, which includes the hall of columns, as hundreds of Soviet citizens filed in to pay their last respects.

Different reactions

LONDON (R) — No early cha-

King receives U.S. congressional delegation

prehensive settlement based on light and justice and fulfilling the aspirations of the Palestinian Arab people.

"The Fez summit resolutions were not a reaction to President Reagan's initiative, but are a new Arab approach to tackle the central issue in the Middle East," King Hussein said.

The King said that Israel's obduracy as recently manifested in its rejection of international calls to freeze the setting up of settlements in the occupied Arab ter-

ritories as demanded by the U.S. administration is an obstacle on the path of establishing peace and is intended to undermine the credibility of the United States in the area.

The King asserted that Israel is "exploiting the time element for its own benefit and is working for changing the landmarks of the occupied territories, and this necessitates "quick Arab and international action to establish peace, stability and security in the area."

The delegation is headed by Director of the Congressional Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East Lee Hamilton.

The meeting was attended by the U.S. charge d'affaires in Amman.

An American embassy official told the Jordan Times that Mr. Hamilton and his delegation will also meet with Information Minister Adnan Abu Odah,

Jordan Times

For independent Arab political news published in English by the Jordan Press Foundation
Established 1975
جوردان تايمز مؤسسة صحفية مستقلة نشر الأخبار السياسية في اللغة الإنجليزية

Responsible Editor: **MOHAMMAD AMAD** Board of Directors: **JUMA'A HAMMAD**
Managing Editor: **GEORGE S. HAWATMEH** Directors: **RAJA ELISSA**
Contributing Editor: **RAMI G. KHOURI** Directors: **MOHAMMAD AMAD**
MAHMOUD AL KAYED

Editorial and advertising offices: **Jordan Press Foundation**
University Road, P.O. Box 6710, Amman, Jordan.
Telephone: 667171-2-3-4
Telex: 21497 ALRAI JO
Telegram: JORTIMES, Amman, Jordan.

The Jordan Times is published daily except Fridays. Subscription and advertising rates are available from the Jordan Times advertising department.

The Soviets' great man

THE DEATH of Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev is a sad occasion for us in Jordan and the Arab World. In him, we saw a valued friend and a great statesman who loved and worked for peace through hard times and under difficult circumstances. This country, in particular, will always remember that during President Brezhnev's 18 years in office, Jordanian-Soviet relations have steadily been growing stronger and closer through mutual high respect of each people's rights and aspirations and totally based on a common desire for stability and progress for all humanity.

Sad as the occasion is for Jordan, the Arab Nation, our friends in the Soviet Union and other peoples across the globe, there still is a need for a moment of reflection in which we stop to look ahead at what the future may hold.

We are confident that the late president's drive for global peace will not slow down because of his departure, and will remain as the

cornerstone of Soviet foreign policy. We know this because the Soviet Union's desire for peace cannot be questioned after what its people had suffered at the hands of the Nazis during World War II and from other wars and conflicts.

Friends do not necessarily agree on everything all the time, and it is natural that we have our differences with Moscow between now and then. While we totally agree with President Brezhnev's successor, Mr. Yuri Andropov, that peace cannot be begged, we disagree with him and with U.S. President Reagan on that "peace could be upheld only by resting upon the invincible might of the Soviet armed forces" and "peace is the product of strength not weakness." What we, and every peace-loving nation in the world, would want and hope to see is for the two superpowers to continue to work for detente, disarmament and an end to their rivalry over who runs the world.

JORDAN'S ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: A significant signal from Cairo

Cairo has transmitted a new strong signal to the Arab World, through Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali's statement, summing up to what indicates that President Reagan's initiative nullifies all that preceded it, the Camp David accords included. The statement also pointed out that Egypt will no longer take part in any tripartite negotiations with the U.S. and Israel unless held within a new framework, and in a new perspective.

The new signal succeeds an announcement by Egyptian Defence Minister Abdul Halim Abu Ghazaleh calling on the Arabs to commit themselves to a unified strategy to confront the Israeli danger.

In the light of the two Egyptian gestures, the following conclusions can be drawn:

1. Egypt now believes that the Camp David accords have been overpassed by time, and the American peace proposals are the only practical basis for peace at present.

2. The "autonomy" talks are no longer legible, in the light of President Reagan's initiative, in form as well as in content, and Egypt will no longer refer to them.

3. Cairo still considers the Israeli danger as the most serious threat to Egypt, as well as the Arab World. The Egyptian-Israeli treaty is no longer considered a source of security for Egypt.

The two Egyptian gestures are a serious step towards the Arab World, and they are worthy of being considered in the effort for rallying Arab ranks to restore usurped Arab rights, and lead the region to peace.

Al Dustour: Tyre explosion -- a reminder to the world

Whether the Tyre operation is purposefully timed (which resulted in the death or injury of more than 70 Israelis) to coincide with Israeli Premier Menachem Begin's visit to the U.S., or is simply concurrent with it, the issue remains that it stands out as open message to the world, and to the U.S. in the first place.

Begin will not find it easy on his visit to the U.S. to claim that he has buried the Palestinian people, and annihilated the resistance of the courageous Lebanese people.

The method of the operation, together with the size of Israeli casualties, are convincing evidence that the people's will cannot be easily overpassed. Moreover, just causes invariably prove to be far from easy to be trampled over by tanks or blown up by aerial bombing.

The message this time is not carried by an Arab diplomat, but by Begin himself, with the U.S. as its

first stop, and meant reach the world community. The Arab aspiration for peace in no way means submission to Israeli terrorism, and the Palestinian resistance that chose to evacuate Beirut to save it from premeditated Israeli destruction, is the same force that has chosen to retaliate to the massacre of civilians by selecting to strike at a symbol of the Israeli military presence in Lebanon.

The resistance fighters have chosen to emphasise their honourable drive, not terrorists, as some would choose to classify them, but as brave freedom fighters.

The time for peace is not late yet, but the world community should listen more attentively to peace cries, and the moderate peace yearning could easily turn into real confrontation, with the same means of destruction endorsed by the Israelis for a substitute to calm diplomacy.

Cuban troops block Namibian self-rule

By Sidney Welland
Reuter

LONDON — Hopes that Namibia (South West Africa) might be set on the road towards self-rule by Christmas are fading, with one crucial hurdle still to be overcome.

Western officials say a spectacular breakthrough in the next few weeks could still keep the tortuous independence process on schedule, but that the prospects are slim. A five-year Western effort to end South African rule has slowed down while the United States seeks a parallel deal to get Cuban troops out of neighbouring Mozambique.

Officials close to the independence negotiations say it is a "fact of life" there can be no agreement on Namibia until the U.S. and South Africa are satisfied the Cubans will leave. This is now the only serious issue holding up a settlement that would involve the United Nations, the U.S. and other Western countries, South Africa, black African states, and guerrillas fighting a bush war in Namibia.

Apart from South Africa itself, Namibia is the last significant African territory still under white control.

Last summer, Western gov-

ernments said agreement was near on a complex package to end South Africa's 67-year rule, which in recent years has been in defiance of repeated U.N. rulings. South African political leaders talked confidently of striking a deal by August, then advanced the deadline to autumn.

The west hoped to get the seven-month-long independence process, to be watched over by U.N. troops, started by the end of 1982, with full self-rule by the spring or summer of 1983.

Western officials say nothing has gone seriously wrong, only that separate talks between the U.S. and Angola over the Cuban military presence have taken much longer than expected.

The other Western countries involved in the independence negotiations—Britain, Canada, France and West Germany—say most of their work is done, and that they are marking time waiting for the Americans and Angolans.

Cubans are needed

The Angolans insist the Cubans are needed so long as there is a risk of South African cross-border raids in pursuit of Angolan-based guerrillas from the South West Africa People's Organisation

(SWAPO).

South Africa refuses to give up Namibia until at least some Cubans leave, a stand backed by the U.S., which holds that Cuba's presence in Africa is basically destabilising. The end-spurt in the negotiations has involved months of delicate manoeuvring.

The Angolans want a Namibian settlement because it would free them of South African pressure on their southern border. They also want U.S. diplomatic recognition and economic assistance, which are assured once a deal goes through.

But they refuse to be seen publicly giving way to the anti-communist Reagan administration. The Angolans and other black African states continue to say in public that they reject any attempt to link Namibia with the Cuban issue. Privately, say Western diplomats, they accept what are called the "geo-political realities."

U.S. sources say there are 21,000 to 25,000 Cubans in Angola, and between 30,000 and 35,000 troops under South African control in Namibia, and that both groups must start moving out at roughly the same time.

Under a U.N. transitional plan, South African forces would be

gradually thinned out while 6,500 to 7,500 U.N. troops position themselves to supervise free elections.

South Africa's all-white government has said it wants all Cubans out of Angola at the start, but has hinted it may accept phased withdrawals, spread over a limited period. Western diplomats believe Angola is ready to make an initial gesture on the Cubans, while leaving the pace of their pullout to be settled later, as the situation quiets down.

But this fails to meet U.S. demands for "parallelism" in South African and Cuban withdrawals. "We have come a long way since last year, but we have a way to go," a senior U.S. official says.

The dialogue continues. American diplomats say several more months of haggling may be needed before a deal can be struck. The Reagan administration has taken a lead in the independence effort. Last month, the five Western countries involved said all parties in the talks had been "constructive and flexible."

A U.S. official says that apart from the Cuban issue, all other problems "could be settled in five hours."

Under Mr. Reagan, the U.S. has adopted a softer line on South Afri-

ca's policy of racial separation (apartheid), thus increasing the leverage it can exert in Pretoria.

The U.S. is backing a \$1.07 billion international monetary fund loan to South Africa despite a 121-to-3 U.N. General Assembly vote against the credit two weeks ago.

Although he has agreed in principle to grant Namibia independence, South African Prime Minister P.W. Botha is under pressure from Afrikaner hardliners who fear a settlement could lead to a pro-communist black government on South Africa's borders.

One of the toughest problems involves the anti-communist UNITA guerrilla movement led by Jonas Savimbi, a long-time rebel, which controls part of Angolan territory. UNITA gets arms and other support from South Africa, but the U.S. insists it provides no direct aid to the insurgents.

Western diplomats say Angola wants watertight assurances that the threat of UNITA's guerrilla actions will be ended before a final Cuban withdrawal, a demand on which it may be hard for the U.N. to deliver.

13 years of violence has not changed anything in Northern Ireland

Divisions are as deep as ever

By Brian Cathcart
Reuter

BELFAST — After 13 years of violence, fragile hopes for peace in Northern Ireland have been shattered at the end of last month by a new outbreak of sectarian murder.

"The madly careering engine of terror... seems to have taken on a momentum and speed of its own," said Monsignor Cahal Daly, a Roman Catholic bishop whose diocese includes the province's capital, Belfast.

A new British plan for ending the killing has been unfolded in circumstances which seemed only to prove that the religious and political divisions which have split Northern Ireland for centuries are as deep today as ever.

Elections for an assembly which was to seek terms for a local government acceptable to both the Protestant majority and the Catholic minority resulted in clear endorsements for hardline candidates on both sides. Where British hoped the assembly would agree to share power across the religious divide, the voters backed Protestant parties opposed to power-sharing and Catholic parties which will not even attend assembly meetings.

Although the British minister in charge of Northern Ireland, James Prior, insists the assembly will go ahead, politicians and most other observers of the scene here have already pronounced it dead. If they are right it will follow six other British peacemaking attempts into the dustbin.

The last 13 years have also seen two truces between the government in London and the guerrillas of the Irish Republican Army (IRA) and unceasing calls

by church leaders on both sides, including Pope John Paul, for an end to the killing.

The province's women, too, have campaigned against violence, while other peace moves have come from the neighbouring Irish Republic and the United States. All to no avail. When the elections ended the men of violence gave their answer and sectarian killing resumed as the IRA kidnapped a part-time soldier and Protestant guerrillas retaliated by abducting a Catholic. Both men, one the father of seven, were killed.

Three policemen were killed when a remote-controlled booby-trap bomb destroyed their car in rural county Armagh. And two men coldly cut off a man's hand with a hacksaw in Larne, North of Belfast, in an apparently sectarian attack.

Doubled police force

Police figures show 59 people have died in the "troubles" this year compared with 101 in the whole of 1981 and 467 in the worst year, 1972.

The picture has improved, but in a country of just one-and-a-half million people the figures still reflect deep political instability. That the deaths have fallen since 1972 is due in part to a huge British security effort. The police force has been doubled in size to 7,700 men, backed by 5,000 reserves. A further 10,000 British troops are stationed in the province and a part-time regiment of 7,000 local men has been formed especially for security functions.

Hardline Protestants argue that more manpower and more ruthless methods could defeat the

guerrillas but to date British force alone has been unable to stamp out violence rooted in centuries of sectarian hatred.

The biggest guerrilla group is the outlawed IRA, which claims descent from the old IRA fighters who 61 years ago won independence for the over-whelmingly Catholic republic.

Today they are fighting British rule in Northern Ireland and seek a United Ireland. Britain insists it will not withdraw while the majority — the Protestants — wishes to remain British as a constitutional part of the United Kingdom.

The Protestants are descendants of British settlers who arrived in the 17th century. With British support they oppressed and occasionally butchered the Catholic natives and were massacred in their turn until the question of who should rule was heavily overlaid with sectarian bitterness and suspicion.

In last week's assembly elections the issues and emotions were little changed from the campaigns of 70 years ago. Protestants elected their parties with a clear majority to oppose anything involving a move towards Irish unity, while Catholics backed parties

seeking British withdrawal.

The key new element was the emergence of Sinn Fein, political wing of the IRA, which won five seats and one-third of the Catholic vote in its first province-wide election. Although it is legal, Sinn Fein is ostracised in Britain. Northern Ireland and the Republic because of its connection with violence. No major party will share a platform with a member.

Support for violence

Party leaders in Northern Ireland who gathered to comment on the election results left the television studios when Sinn Fein's spokesman arrived to be interviewed.

In the Republic, Sinn Fein is banned from appearing on television altogether and Irish leaders, like their counterparts in Britain, have campaigned in the United States to halt the flow of funds to the IRA from the Irish American community.

But the party's election success proved wrong a widely-held view that support for parties linked with violence was marginal. And after a decade in which the moderate Social Democratic and Lab-

our Party (SDLP), which opposes violence, held a virtual monopoly of the Catholic vote, it showed many now favour extreme measures to break the political stalemate.

This made the vote a propaganda coup which could boost the IRA's supplies of American money and weapons for years to come. It also means that Mr. Prior, who has argued that it was the absence of a political forum in the province that was driving people to extremes, now has an assembly that can only emphasise the remoteness of a political solution.

For the SDLP and the Irish government, the moral is that Northern Ireland is unworkable as a political unit and negotiations involving Dublin and London are the only way out. They are urging Mr. Prior and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to step up Anglo-Irish links, including the creation of a forum for parliamentarians from the two countries and assembly members from Northern Ireland.

But that idea too, will raise problems. The Protestant parties will have nothing to do with such a forum, which they regard as a step towards Irish unification.

Falklands: An expensive commitment

By James Anderson
Reuter

PORT STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS. — Five months after the defeat of Argentine forces, Britain is mounting elaborate defences on the Falklands and the islanders remain overwhelmingly hostile to Argentina.

From this vantage point today, even as the Falklands debate continues in the United Nations General Assembly, the outcome of the war in which Argentina seized and lost the remote South Atlantic colony seems to be setting in concrete.

Only the ailing economy would offer an Argentine visitor much hope that his country might make good its long-cherished claim to the islands. The economy of the islands is declining towards collapse, which could make the colony a permanent burden for the British taxpayer.

The British government promised a major effort to encourage development, although none of the plans being discussed commands general confidence that it will make the economy viable. The military challenge which the 4,000 British troops on the islands might face is officially termed by their commander, Major-General David Thorne, as a very low level of threat, "which the present garrison could fairly readily repel."

Many ordinary islanders are convinced that Argentina will sooner or later try again to seize the Falklands.

"They'll come back they'll try again," says Shirley Goss, wife of the farm manager at Goose Green, where local people spent nearly a month imprisoned in the village community centre.

"But there's no way we would want to live under a government like Argentina. If there's any negotiations again, we'd be off." With all of Britain's major political parties pledged to respect the wishes of the 1,800 residents, spokesmen here and in London see no prospect of reopening talks unless Argentina drops its key demand for sovereignty over the islands.

Disproportions

The Falklands saga has been marked throughout by a staggering disproportion between the colony itself and the emotion and effort it called forth. The disparity will be repeated in a new airport project.

Going by very rough estimates from official sources, it is likely to cost 350 million sterling (\$600 million) — perhaps 10 times the total value of all the land, livestock, buildings and civilian equipment in the islands.

Officials say that from the mil-

itary point of view it must be big enough to take large, long-range jets so that the island garrison can be quickly bolstered in a crisis.

It must also, officials say, be "an airfield we can defend" — meaning it must be equipped to fight off surprise attack from the air and strong enough to survive or be quickly repaired if any raiders get through.

In four months of strenuous work, army engineers have repaired and enlarged the Port Stanley airfield to the point where it can be used by Phantom fighter-bombers. This allowed the navy to send its newest aircraft carrier, the illustrious, home from the Falklands.

The new surface is temporary and will only last a few years. Mr. Nott, who was the highest-ranking British official ever imposed by its limitations and by the closure of South American airports to Falklands flights.

He reached the Falklands by flying more than 14 bone-rattling hours in a Hercules cargo plane, the only large aircraft which can cover the 3,000 miles from the mid-Atlantic island of Ascension and land at Port Stanley.

In the long term, military planners here see the British garrison on the islands being reduced to about 2,000 men, of which half would be ground combat forces who would use the empty inland

hills for valuable training.

Military commanders would also like to keep several frigates and at least one submarine in Falklands waters and a mixture of Phantoms and Harrier jump-jets for air defence.

"Mr. Nott would not give reporters in Port Stanley a figure of the future defence costs of the Falklands. "It's going to be an expensive commitment, but one which we can bear," he said. In contrast with the military plans, the constitutional future of the islands has been much less completely thought out.

Sir Rex Hunt, the governor the Argentines expelled returned in June with the new title of civil commissioner — a gesture intended to symbolise the intention to make constitutional changes and perhaps to end the island's colonial status. But what those changes might be, Sir Rex says he does not know.

Some islanders, he says, would like to see the Falklands tied more closely to Britain, even formally incorporated as a politically integral part of the United Kingdom. Others would like to win greater control over their internal affairs and see the Falklands become a semi-independent mini-state in which Britain would be responsible only for defence and foreign relations.



هكذا في العالم

FEATURES

By Andrew Hurst

Rome

ROME — The Roman Catholic church has declared a holy war on organised crime which has recently reached a new pitch of intensity in deeply religious southern Italy.

Only a few weeks before Pope John Paul plans the first ever visit by a reigning Pontiff to Sicily, the island's bishops have decided to excommunicate mafia criminals from the church.

In Calabria, across the straits of Messina, bishops have condemned the criminal "Ndrangheta", which has strong links with the more powerful mafia org-

Italy's Catholics declare a holy war against organised crimes

anisation.

Further north, a bishop in a town near Naples announced he was banning all church funerals for known members of the Camorra, the local equivalent of the mafia.

The three crime groups have killed well over 200 people this year, shooting rival gang members and murdering public servants with virtual impunity.

Spearheading the church campaign is Cardinal Salvatore Pappalardo, head of Sicily's church, and the son of a marshal of Italy's

Carabinieri police force.

The cardinal has launched furious verbal attacks on the mafia, describing its members as "almost incarnations of Satan".

Last month's decision by the Sicilian bishops means that mafia criminals now not only risk pursuit by the law in this world but under Catholic doctrine face eternal hellfire and damnation in the next.

Mafiosi who commit murder or robbery or who hire contract killers to carry out their deadly work for them risk being cast out of the church.

"Excommunication will apply when the author of one of these two crimes goes to confession to seek absolution from his sin", the bishops said in a document.

Excommunication, or expulsion from the fold, is the highest sanction that the church has against recalcitrant believers.

Priests have been instructed to refuse absolution to mafiosi who confess to their crimes and automatically to excommunicate them, churchmen said.

Antonio Riboldi, the bishop of Acerra, near Naples, recently lau-

nched his own crusade against local gangsters.

"If a well-known Camorra boss were to die in my diocese, you can be sure that I would personally forbid any funeral rites from being performed in my church."

"The gangsters are protected by the complicity and the silence of everybody," the bishop said in a reference to the code of silence which has for years frustrated attempts by police to bring criminals to justice.

A spokesman for the archbishop of Naples said that the

church could no longer maintain its silence when confronted by a phenomenon which "seriously disturbed the life and the conscience of Christian people."

But many commentators doubt whether the church's new-found militancy can have any impact on organised crime which has resisted onslaughts by fascist dictator Benito Mussolini in the 1930s and by Italy's post-war Democratic leaders.

"A man who sends 10 killers to commit a murder could hardly give a damn about being ex-

communicated", says Luigi Lombardi Satriani, an anthropologist at Calabria University.

Domenico de Masi, a sociology professor at Rome University, says that barely 20 years ago Sicilian church leaders were reluctant to admit that the mafia existed at all.

In 1964, Cardinal Ernesto Ruffini, then head of the island's church, said that the mafia had been blown up out of all proportion by intellectuals such as Danilo Dolci, a man who acquired an international reputation cam-

paigned against the organisation. Orazio Barrese, a journalist with a left-wing Sicilian daily newspaper, recalls a trial in 1962 of several priests from a monastery in central Sicily who were jailed for extortion.

Although few people believe the threat of excommunication will deter mafia killers, many think that the church can help create a new awareness among people who have for years been bound by "Omertà" — the code of silence which has helped the mafia flourish for generations.

And above all the Pope's planned visit to Sicily on Nov. 21 may give major impetus to the church's new crusade against mobsters.

JORDAN MARKETPLACE

HOTELS

IN SABASTIA RESTAURANT
KOREAN
JAPANESE
CHINESE
EUROPEAN
FOOD

One of the best hotels in Amman
THE AMBASSADOR

Tel. 665161/62/63
Ext. 93

Hotel Jerusalem International Melia
* Luncheon Buffet
Every FRIDAY & SUNDAY
BARBECUED Dinner
Every THURSDAY
Tel. 665121/8

Amman's most experienced hotel
Hotel Jordan Inter-Continental

Buffet Lunch at CROWN ROTISSERIE
Sunday's & Friday's
For Reservation 41361.5

PHILADELPHIA HOTEL
4 STAR HOTEL
92 ROOMS
DISCO
SWIMMING POOL
COFFEE SHOP

Holiday Inn
Luncheon Buffet
Every Friday
Res. 663100

THE REGENCY PALACE HOTEL
PRESENTS
"The Royal Flush" and
Barbara Duo Magic Show
At
AL MADARA RESTAURANT
JD 4.500 PER PERSON
Dial 660000

AL FARDOUS RESTAURANT
UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

welcomes you
and invites you to
spend a wonderful
time in its quiet
and heated halls

FRESH FISH DAILY
MIXED CHARCOAL
GRILLS
LEBANESE MEZZA
Marj Al Hamam, Nasser St.
Tel. 815640 ext. 113

Restaurant TAIWAN TOURISMO

Opp. Akilah Maternity Hospital,
3rd Circle, Jabal
Amman, Tel. 41093.

Try our special "FLAMING
POT" fondue or Peking Duck
on your next visit. Take-Away
orders welcome.
Welcome & Thank you.

Stop Here Once...
& You'll Come Again
Abu Nawwas Bar
Happy Hour
From 7 to 8 p.m.
Drinks half price

Hala Inn Hotel, Jabal Amman
Near Khalidi Hospital
Tel. 43106, 43856

RESTAURANT CHINA

The first & best
Chinese Restaurant
in Jordan
1st Circle, Jabal Amman,
near Ahliyyah Girls School

Open daily
12:00 - 3:30 p.m.
6:30 p.m. - Midnight
Tel. 38968

La Terrasse
Welcomes you to
THE ROOF
"Terrace" • Delicious
cuisine

• Panoramic
view
• Relaxing
atmosphere
for reservations
Tel. 662831
Shmeisani

MEIE Real Estate

Your
Real Estate Agent
in Jordan

Tel. 42358, 42503
P.O. Box - 35107
TLX. 21867 JO.

Cheminées Rene Brisach

CHEMINÉES RENE BRISACH
FRENCH FIREPLACES
FIREPLACE TOOLS
WOOD DELIVERY
Tel: 844638

Jabal Amman
2nd Circle
Tel. 41816

studio-line

Scandinavian show room

living rooms
dining rooms
bedroom sets
wall units
lighting fixtures
club for children

modern danish design
feather upholstery
tax-free if applicable
tel. 663990
civi defence street

The youthful style with an eye to the future

CLEARANCE
SHIPPING - TRAVEL & TOURISM
AIR FREIGHT - PACKING

AMIN KAWAR & SONS
Travel & Tourism

GENERAL SALES AGENTS FOR:
SAS SCANDINAVIAN AIRLINES,
THAI AIRWAYS
Tel. 37195, 22324-5-6-7-8-9
Tlx. 21212, 21520, 21634
P.O. Box: 7806, AMMAN

Multi-System Room Air Conditioners
DAIKIN

International Branches
Tel. 65354 & 65578

MISCELLANEOUS

ABSOLUTELY THE BEST OPTICIAN IN TOWN
OPTIKOS. INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

MODERATE PRICES SAME DAY DELIVERY
Tel. 42043
AMMAN

THE INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

CONTACT LENS CENTER

EYES EXAMINED
CONTACT LENSES
SEVEN DAYS A WEEK
AMMAN, TEL. 42043

TRANSPORTATION

CROWN INTERNATIONAL WORLDWIDE
Specialists in local & international removals
shipping & forwarding (air, land, sea)
storage packing crating
clearing door-to-door service

CROWN INTERNATIONAL EST.
Amman - Jabal Hussein - Firas Circle
Tel. 664090 Tlx. 22205 BESMCO JO
Aqaba Tel. 5778

WASSIM RENT-A-CAR
short & long term
Tel. 44579 - 43515
CAMEO HOTEL

RESTAURANTS & BARS

MANDARIN CHINESE RESTAURANT
AMMAN AND AQABA

Offer typical Chinese Mandarin cuisines and take away
For quick lunch: 1 soup 1 main dish,
1 rice 1 tea or soft drink JD 2
Fully airconditioned

Amman
Tel. 661922 P.O. Box 9676
Wadi Saqra Road
Near Holiday Inn Hotel

AQABA
Tel. 4633 P.O. Box 598
Amman Road
Near the Main Circle

AQUAMARINA HOTEL CLUB
RED SEA HOLIDAYS

FIVE DAYS WIND SURFING ALL DAY, INCLUDING EQUIPMENT HALF BOARD

FOR ONLY JD 61.000

THE ONLY PLACE WHERE YOU CAN ENJOY ALL WATER SPORTS ACTIVITIES - FOR MORE INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS PLEASE DO CALL US:
TELS. 4333/4/5/6
TLX. 62249 AQUAMA JO

JORDANIAN NATIONAL DRESS THROUGH THE AGES

Holiday Inn
Aqaba
Nov. 13, Nov. 15
Art exhibit by
Mr Basem Sheich Jawad & Zohrab

DINE WINE DANCE

While in Aqaba visit
"The German Restaurant" at THE CRAZY HORSE
located next to Grindlays Bank

Restaurant open daily
11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
6:00 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Try our special
PLANTERS' PUNCH
and dance till 1:00 a.m.

Aqaba Tel. 5595
P.O. Box 347

To Advertise
in
this section
Call:
667171-2-3

SPORTS

Italy faces a stern opener in European Championships

MILAN, Italy (R) — World Champions Italy begin their European Soccer Championship campaign here Saturday with a match against Czechoslovakia that will provide a stern test of their morale and character.

Since the dizzy glory of victory in Spain, the "Azzurri" have suffered a reversal in their fortunes. Several World Cup stars have lost form and the side went down to a dismal 1-0 defeat against Switzerland in a friendly in Rome last month.

Manager Enzo Bearzot said this week he had confidence in the ability of his World Cup players to rise to the occasion once more, but he also warned his side: "This is the last time you can be assured of your places if things do not go right."

Two World Cup stars will be absent Saturday. Juventus left-back Antonio Cabrini, whose

mazy runs and pin-point crosses will be sorely missed, and stolid Inter Milan defender Gabriele Orioli have both been left out because of injury.

Cabrini's place will go to teenager Giuseppe Bergomi, who showed great composure during his few World Cup outings, while Orioli will be replaced by his Inter Milan teammate Giampiero Marini.

Czechoslovakia have completely revamped their team since bowing out of the World Cup in the first round, having scored only two goals—both from the penalty spot.

Manager Josef Venglos has been replaced by Frantisek Havranek and only seven members of his 16-man squad for Saturday's match were in Spain.

Although the side have none of the experience and class of the Italians, they have shown signs of rev-

ival since the World Cup, drawing 2-2 with Sweden in a European Championship match and beating Denmark 3-1 in a friendly last month.

Italy will look to World Cup star Paolo Rossi, who has exploded back to form in the past two weeks, for the inspiration needed to put the Swiss debacle behind them.

He followed two brilliant goals for Juventus in a European Cup match this month with another in the League last Saturday and declared: "It's been tough going since Spain, but now I feel back to my best."

But Rossi's fellow striker, Francesco Graziani of Fiorentina, is still off form and Bearzot has been criticised for not recalling Roberto Bettega, the great Juventus striker who missed the World Cup through injury.

Yarmouk student wins local marathon

By Riyad M. Ahmad
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — On the occasion of His Majesty King Hussein's birthday, the Jordanian Track and Field Sports Federation organised a sports festival at the Sports City stadium Friday. Many athletes from several parts of Jordan competed in high jump, long jump, shot put, pole vault, track events and a cross country marathon.

Ninety seven Jordanian men athletes participated in a 42-kilometre marathon and twenty eight women runners also competed in a 12-kilometre marathon.

The marathon, a long distance foot race, was set up in April 1896 to commemorate a heroic running feat of ancient Greek times. It was introduced to Jordan in 1968 when it was organised for the first time by the Track and Field Sports Federation. The second marathon took place in 1972, and the current men's marathon is the third of its kind while the women's is the first.

Men contestants started from the Sports City stadium passing through the University of Jordan (U.J.), Tla'a Al Ali, Al Hussein Medical Centre, the Seventh Circle, Sagra Circle then back to the Sports City.

Women however started from the Sports City stadium reaching the U.J. Hospital crossroads then back to the Sports City.

The men's race was won by Mr. Ismail Ghassab, from University of Yarmouk, while Khadigah Mattary won the women's race.

The contest was conducted under the patronage of His Majesty the King, Prince Ra'ad Ibn Zaid, Chief Chamberlain attended the contest and awarded the trophies and medals to the winners. The contest was also attended by Mr. Ma'an Abu Nowar, Minister of Culture and Youth.

England begins defence of Ashes against Australia

PERTH (R) — England, with Chris Tavare as the cornerstone and David Gower providing polish and panache, opened their defence of the Ashes against Australia on an encouraging note here Friday.

Tavare batted in characteristically resolute mood throughout the opening day of the first cricket test for an unbeaten 66 and vice-captain Gower scored a fluent 72 to guide England to 242 for four at the close.

England put in on a moist pitch, recovered from an early setback to make their useful start on a day of incidents which involved Dennis Lillee and Ian Botham.

Lillee, Australia's world test record wicket-taker, produced temperamental outbursts when he had low appeals rejected, while all-rounder Botham was out in unusual circumstances.

Fast bowler Lillee is no stranger to controversy in Perth tests, following an aluminium bat-throwing rumpus in the 1979-80 series against England and a kicking incident with Pakistan's Javed Miandad a year ago.

Lillee's first outburst came after he had an appeal against Gower rejected. He kicked the ball on the half volley when it was played back from his next delivery by the left hander, and it flew over Gower's head to Allan Border in the slips.

Lillee later had an appeal aga-

inst Allan Lamb turned down and stood in the middle of the pitch seemingly showing dissent in a manner that appeared to contravene the Australian Players' Code of Conduct introduced three years ago.

Botham was at the centre of controversy when he was out for 12 after completing 3,000 runs in tests.

He appeared to get an inside edge-off fast bowler Geoff Lawson and Rodney Marsh appealed for a catch behind. After consulting umpire Mel Johnson at square leg, Tony Crafter gave Botham out after he handed Lawson his hat at the end of the over.

In between these incidents, England built the basis of a good total after losing opener Geoff Cook for one with the total on 14.

Lillee made the initial breakthrough when he had Cook caught by John Dyson at forward short leg after an uncomfortable 35 minutes.

Tavare and Gower, who included nine fours in his 143-minute innings, led a revival by putting on 95 for the second wicket before England's vice-captain hit Terry Alderman crisply off his legs and Dyson held a superb catch at mid-wicket.

South African-born Lamb, who struck a six and five fours in making 46 in 109 minutes, and Tavare consolidated with a third wicket stand of 80.

Lamb, who fell to off spinner Bruce Yardley, and Botham went in quick succession but Tavare and Derek Randall prevented any further breakthrough.

Tavare, who survived a missed chance by Alderman at first slip off Lawson on 31, was on 66 for the last 71 minutes, but Randall hit 32 not out in perky style.

Australia included in-form middle order batsman David Hookes instead of Greg Ritchie, while England omitted off spinner Eddie Hemmings from their 12.

Swedish Grand Prix tennis tournament fined \$25,000

STOCKHOLM (R) — A Swedish Grand Prix tennis tournament was fined \$25,000 Thursday for failing to allow white South African tennis players to take part this year, the Men's International Professional Council said Friday.

Sweden refused to grant South Africans Kevin Curren and Fredrick Sauer's visas for entry last month because of the government's condemnation of apartheid.

The council, consisting of representatives of the International Tennis Federation, the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) and Tennis Tournament Organisers, decrees that all players, regardless of race or nationality, should be allowed to play in any tournament.

The council said Sweden failed to fulfil this and the tournament should be fined. The tournament might have lost its Grand Prix status if the council had not recognised the government decision was out of the organisers' control.

"Should this incident be repeated next year, in Basildon in July or in Stockholm in November, both Swedish tournaments will lose their Grand Prix status," the council said.

Stockholm tournament director Hans-Ake Sturen told Reuters: "I will ask the national sports federation here for money to pay this fine. They may then in turn ask the government for additional economic support to grant my request."

He said there was no fear the Swedish tournaments would lose their status as the Association of Tennis Professionals was taking steps to make South African tennis players stay away voluntarily from countries where visa problems could occur.

Wendy Turnbull upsets Austin

ADELAIDE (R) — Australian Wendy Turnbull inflicted the first defeat on the rest of the world team when she upset Tracy Austin in the \$185,000 women's tennis match here Friday.

Turnbull won 6-4, 2-6, 7-5 for one of the best victories of her career. But with Czechoslovak Hana Mandlikova beating Britain's Sue Barker 6-3, 6-4 in the day's other match, the rest of the world held an unassailable 5-1 lead after the third day.

Turnbull had to battle all the way for her success. It took her seven match points and nearly three hours to subdue the American.

In the final set, Turnbull, whose tournament play in recent weeks has been restricted by an elbow injury, disrupted Austin's methodical baseline game by moving up to the net whenever possible.

The contest ends Saturday with three more matches.

Top seed toppled at world mixed doubles meet

HOUSTON (R) — Unseeded Americans Sherwood Stewart and Joanne Russell stunned top seeds Kevin Curren of South Africa and Anne Smith of the U.S., defeating them 7-6, 6-3, Thursday night in the quarter-finals of the \$460,000 world mixed doubles championships.

Third seeds John Lloyd of Britain and his wife, Chris Evert

Lloyd of the U.S. were also upset victims, falling to Fritz Buehning and Mary Lou Piatek, both of the U.S., 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

The second-seeded team of Peter McNamara of Australia and Martina Navratilova of the U.S. were survivors, rallying for a 5-7, 7-6, 6-1 victory over Fred Stolle of Australia and Leslie Allen of the U.S. to move into the semi-finals.

against fourth-seeded Americans Billie Jean King and Gene Mayer.

King and Meyer held off Australia's Paul McNamee and Andrea Leand of the U.S., 6-3, 7-6.

Stewart and Russell face the big-serving Buehning and Piatek in the other semi-final.

First prize in the tournament, the richest in mixed-doubles history, is \$100,000.

Buehning and Piatek broke Evert Lloyd, the second-ranked woman in the world behind Navratilova, in the first game of the second set and broke John Lloyd in the first game of the third set, the crucial wins in their comeback.

Roberto Duran disappointed with Leonard's decision to retire

MIAMI (R) — Roberto Duran, the only fighter to have beaten Sugar Ray Leonard, said Friday he was disappointed that Leonard had retired.

"I was looking forward to fighting him a third time," said Duran, who is training in Miami for a comeback fight against Jimmy Batten of Britain.

Duran, the former lightweight champion, won the World Boxing Council (WBC) welterweight title from Leonard in Montreal.

Lillee later had an appeal aga-

BLOW UP

We welcome you every Thursday and Saturday to the most enjoyable evenings in the biggest and most eventful singing programme conducted with the assistance of the Oriental Band of Radio Jordan and Television.

Together with our surprise and honour guests, we are offering an Oriental and Western dinner with various delicious maza.

Dancing to the tunes of disco music. Families only.

For reservations and information: Please call Tel. 811616, Eighth Circle, Jabal Amman.

Moh'd Wahib
Siham Safadi
Antone Shamoun

On the occasion of the anniversaries His Majesty King Hussein and the Haya Arts Centre,

The Haya Arts Centre presents in cooperation with the Regency Palace Hotel

The Polish Magicians
Andrzej Szubert & Barbara Piekalska

in a variety show of magic and music at the Haya Arts Centre

on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday 14, 15, 16/11/82 at 4 p.m.
Ticket 500 fils / all ages.

BICC MIDDLE EAST LTD

Are pleased to announce the appointment of GAMMA ENGINEERING CORP. as their sole and official agents for the territory of Jordan. We would request all existing and potential customers for BICC products to contact GAMMA ENGINEERING CORP. for their further supplies at this address:

GAMMA ENG. CORP.

Tel. 661538 P.O. Box 950490 Tlx. 21292 GRAND JO Amman - Jordan

AMMAN CROWN HOTEL & COUNTRY SPORTS COMPLEX

WE SERVE BETTER

WE INVITE YOU TONIGHT AND EVERY NIGHT TO THE MOST ENJOYABLE EVENINGS AT OUR

AL KHAYMAH DISCO

Matinee Party
Every Friday Afternoon * Families only

Technical supervisor: Cloud Seven
For reservation call: Tel. 78181-82-83, Radio and television road P.O. Box 1318, Telex 22269 Crown Jo 21530 APCO

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Three deluxe apartments located in Telah Elali, West Shemisan. Each consists of 3 bedrooms, livingroom, guestroom, diningroom, two verandas, kitchen and accessories.

All centrally heated with a garage for each and a new garden.

Please call: 25543 after 2 p.m. and 42216 between 8-10.30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT

M.P.W. announces to all participants in the tender of the Rehabilitation centre (SWAKA) are kindly requested to collect Addendum No. 1 during working hours.

Chairman Tendering Committee

THE HOUSE OF LANGUAGES ARABIC CLASSES

The house of languages offers courses in Arabic for non-native speakers taught by experienced competent teachers.

The next elementary level course begins on Sat. Nov. 6, 1982.

For further information, please call at the centre Jabal Amman, Al Khatib Street, or call 41986.

We are open from 9-8 daily except Fridays and holidays.

TO LET

Furnished flat consists of 3 bedrooms with telephone.

Jabal Al-Hussein
Tel. 43903

VACANCY FOR A PRODUCTION MANAGER

A joint venture company manufacturing a range of industrial chemicals wishes to appoint a production manager for its factory at Zerk.

Applicants should have a record of production management experience, a good command of English and preferably a Chemistry background.

Apply to:
The Manager
P.O. Box 925083
Amman - Jordan.

GARDENS RESTAURANT

Excellent Lebanese Mezza top service

- daily fresh fish
- cine-2000 panorama 180°
- first in the Middle East

Hotels - Baby Gardens - Swimming pool - Disco - Complete leisure town.

Tel. 842171/2

DELUXE FURNISHED Ground floor for rent

2 bedrooms, large dining-living area, garden, 2-baths, independent heating, telephone, TV, modern furniture, beautiful view, close to Tyche Hotel.

Tel. 664041, 661421

FURNISHED APARTMENT FOR RENT

First-floor apartment in Shmisan consists of two bedrooms, salon, dining room and sitting room. Centrally heated with garden, colour TV and equipped with electrical accessories.

Tel. 667727

FURNISHED APARTMENT FOR RENT

Two bedrooms, salon, dining, sitting and accessories. Centrally heated. Furniture is de luxe.

Location: Al Hussein Sports City area
Tel. 662922

FURNISHED FLAT FOR RENT

Deluxe furnished two bedrooms flat with all accessories.

Location: Jabal Amman, 3rd Circle area, 100 metres east of Khalidi Hospital.

For more details, please call Tel. 41019

CLERK-TYPIST VACANCY

Diplomatic mission has vacancy for clerk-typist (male preferred). English typing speed 40 wpm. Only English/Arabic speakers need apply. Good salary and benefits.

Send resume to P.O. Box 354

FOR SALE

Owner leaving country

Fiat Saloon 132S - 1600, 1979 model, 40,000 kms. With radio and cassette, duty unpaid - Price negotiable and

(New) Yamaha 'Electone' Electronic organ model C35 with stool - only JD 800

Telephone Amman: 661388 (8 a.m. to 2 p.m.)

FOR RENT

A furnished flat consisting of two bedrooms, two bathrooms, sitting room, dining room, lounge and kitchen. Luxuriously furnished with telephone. Independent central heating. Located near the Fifth Circle, Jabal Amman.

Please contact: Tel. 661161 for details.

APARTMENT FOR RENT

Two bedrooms, two toilets, large living room, salon and dining room. Separate central heating and private telephone.

Location: Opposite to the Highway Patrol offices, Jubailha.

Please call Tel. 841565 all days after 2 p.m. except Sunday—all day long.

ECONOMY

U.K. inflation rate falls to 6.8 per cent

LONDON (R) — Britain's inflation rate fell in October to 6.8 per cent compared with a year ago, the lowest level for 10 years, and is now below the international average, the government said Friday.

The announcement followed a cut in mortgage interest rates for building society home loans to 10 per cent from 12 per cent, a move that will speed the rapid decline of inflation.

Both figures were good news for the government. A year ago, inflation was 12 per cent and mortgages cost 15 per cent. The year on year rate for retail price inflation in September was 7.3 per cent.

The retail price index increased by 0.5 per cent from September to October due to higher prices for petrol, cigarettes, beer and gas, but prices of fresh fruit continued to fall, the Employment Department said.

Employment Secretary Norman Tebbit said the inflation figure was the best since August 1972 when it was 6.6 per cent.

"We are now lower than the international average, which is something to be proud of," he said.

"The figure is coming down towards the rates of those countries we used to admire — like Switzerland, where inflation is 5.5 per cent, the United States, five per cent, and West Germany, 4.9 per cent."

Mr. Tebbit, criticised in parliament for Britain's high unemployment rate — 3.3 million people, one in seven members of the work force are jobless — added:

"That is bound to help on the jobs front if we keep fighting the competition instead of squabbling among ourselves and avoid scoring any own goals."

The minister said it was clear that inflation would keep coming down and reach five per cent over the next few months.

The government has forecast that inflation will drop to 6.5 per cent next month and five per cent early in the new year.

Finance minister Sir Geoffrey Howe, reacting to critics who want the government to reflate the economy and create jobs, has said an inflation rate of even five per cent is too high, and no cause for a change from the government's policy of concentrating its economic strategy on reducing prices.

IDA lends \$25m to expand Port Sudan

KHARTOUM (R) — The World Bank's International Development Agency (IDA) has extended a \$25 million loan to Sudan to help improve the country's Red Sea harbour of Port Sudan, the port's chief, Mr. Hassan Ahmad Hassan, said Friday.

Mr. Hassan said the loan would be used to finance the second stage of a project to develop Sudan's only sea port by raising its accommodation capacity from 3.7 million tonnes to 5.5 million tonnes.

Zambia, IMF talks reach crucial stage

LUSAKA (R) — Negotiations on a vital loan agreement between Zambia and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) have reached a crucial and delicate stage, Zambian Finance Minister Kebby Musokotwane was quoted Friday as saying.

The Times of Zambia said the minister told it in an interview the issue was so sensitive he could give no further details in case the negotiations were jeopardised.

The five-strong IMF team arrived in Lusaka this week for talks on a stalled 1981 loan agreement giving Zambia's struggling economy access to 800 million IMF Special Drawing Rights (about \$860 million) over a three-year period.

The government has so far drawn about \$320 million of the loan but says the IMF is demanding tough new conditions for further instalments.

Zambia, gripped by a foreign exchange shortage caused mainly by low world prices for its copper and cobalt exports, failed to meet the original performance criteria specified by the IMF.

The new terms have not been published by Lusaka banking sources say the include a currency devaluation, a lowering of the credit ceiling and the removal of subsidies.

THE BETTER HALF. By Harris



"Bring me a white flag!"

JUMBLE. THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter in each square, to form four ordinary words.

SCOUF

LUVEA

NONITE

MEHRAM

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print answer here: A

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: ROUSE YEARN POLICY DRAGON

Answer: Expected to get in touch with a receiver — YOUR EAR

S. Arabia may lift oil output

JEDDAH (R) — Saudi Arabia may soon increase oil output as an entirely different size," Mr. Turki said.

He said the non-communist world's demand for oil could rise by two million to four million b/d in the next six months, and members of the six nation Gulf Cooperation Council would fill some of this demand, Saudi Business reported.

He said a short-term output cut did not give a clear picture of Saudi production, according to the magazine Saudi Business.

Average annual output was the true reflection of production and "under such a definition, Saudi production may be maintained or even increased somewhat in the near future," he said.

Saudi output averaged 9.8 million barrels per day (b/d) last year. Industry sources say production may top six million b/d this month after hitting a low of 5.3 million in August.

Current production "may not reflect intermediate or long-term production forecasts envisaged for

Saudi Arabia, which could assume an entirely different size," Mr. Turki said.

Council members are Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Qatar and Bahrain.

Mr. Turki said oil companies would not be able to run down stocks appreciably after December.

"Stocks are likely to be either unchanged for replenished next year. As a result, demand for the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) oil is bound to rise. It can further be jolted in the event of a world economic upturn," he said.

OPEC has faced crisis this year as world oil demand has slumped and oil companies ran down stocks displacing OPEC crude in the market.

The Gulf Council countries say they have borne the brunt of defending OPEC's reference price of \$34 a barrel and that their patience is wearing thin.

Iranian Oil Minister Mohammad Gharazi said this week that the Council was bluffing when it made implied threats that it might engage Iran and other cut-price sellers in a price war.

Meanwhile, OPEC oil ministers may shift the venue of their Dec. 9 meeting from Lagos, Nigeria, to

Geneva, senior oil ministry sources in the Gulf said Friday.

They told Reuters one minister had teleaxed his OPEC colleagues with the suggestion and it was likely to be favourably received.

The London Financial Times reported Friday that Nigeria had told OPEC it was no longer prepared to act as host for the semi-annual gathering of the 13 ministers — and might even boycott the meeting — because Saudi Arabia and other Gulf exporters were pressing African members to raise their prices.

The Saudis have been leading a campaign for higher differentials above the \$34 a barrel OPEC benchmark price for high quality crudes pumped by the African countries.

Saudi Arabia feels that these prices are unfairly low and it is losing its justified share of a depressed world market.

LIBRA (Sept. 21 to Oct. 22) Ideal Sunday to plan how to handle future financial affairs. Take time for health treatment and feel better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Talk over with close ties what your aims and ambitions are and gain their support. Strive for increased happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take time to plan the new week so that your activities will go more smoothly. Come to a fine accord with loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contact good friends and discuss future plans. The evening could be delightful from a social standpoint.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study your image with the public and plan how to improve it. Make plans to have more abundance in the future.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) If you change your attitude it could help you advance in your line of endeavor. Use utmost care in motion.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will have the ability to solve difficult problems, so be sure to give the best education you can afford. One who sticks to hard facts and figures. Be sure to give religious and ethical training early in life.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

GATT issues gloomy review

GENEVA (R) — The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) issued a gloomy review of the world's shrinking trade Friday.

GATT said world trade, now showing increasingly dangerous parallels to the 1930s depression years, has not yet revived from the one per cent drop in value it suffered last year.

Protectionism is on the rise as governments try to shield their industries from foreign competition and a boom in bank lending in recent years has left many countries deep in debt and unable to afford more imports, the trade body said.

At the same time, Third World exporters saw prices for their commodities drop by an average 13 per cent last year while those for developed countries fell by only 4.5 per cent, it added.

In a section designed as a guide for the 88 GATT trade ministers, due to meet here from Nov. 24 to

27 for the first time since 1973, the report warned that protectionism could trigger a severe disturbance in the world financial system.

The report estimated current debts of the oil-importing Third World at over \$500 billion and put Eastern Europe's debts at \$80-90 billion.

A good part of world debt, it said, overlaid the financial system since it was "deadweight debt" used to pay for imports rather than productive investment.

This trend could combine with the gradual closing of import markets due to protectionism to produce deflation, a collapse in prices such as that which plagued the world economy in the 1930s, it added.

The report by GATT, founded in 1948 to avoid the trade wars of the 1930s by fostering free trade for all its members, said there was no single explanation for world trade's current ills.

The report said measures taken

to cocoon domestic industry from outside competition are soon met by counter-measures in foreign export markets. Investors afraid of shrinking export markets then become reluctant to invest in modernisation to restore competitiveness and instead seek government subsidy.

In a sector-by-sector review of 1981 trade, which totalled just under \$2,000 billion, the report said trade in manufactured goods grew by 4.5 per cent from its 1980 level.

Trade in oil, which makes up about one-fifth of all world commerce, fell 10 per cent after a nine per cent drop in 1980. Sharp price falls for ores, minerals and non-ferrous metals pushed down the value of trade in those goods by 18 per cent.

In the food trade, slumping prices for sugar, coffee, cocoa and tea meant export revenues for Third World food producers fell three times as much as those for pro-

ducers from developed countries. Prices for Third World agricultural raw materials such as rubber and cotton fell by 12.5 per cent.

Analysing by region, the 194-page report said industrialised states saw the rate of growth in their gross domestic product slow to one per cent in 1981.

While there was no overall change in the terms of trade, exchange rate movements caused Europe to suffer deteriorating current account balances while North America and Japan registered improvements. West Germany, Belgium, Austria and Italy were especially hit by currency changes, it said.

Oil-exporting countries, whose export revenue fell by three per cent last year as the volume of sales dropped 30 per cent below its 1979 level, should see their current account surpluses shrink to \$20 billion this year after \$65 billion in 1981.

LIBRA (Sept. 21 to Oct. 22) Ideal Sunday to plan how to handle future financial affairs. Take time for health treatment and feel better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Talk over with close ties what your aims and ambitions are and gain their support. Strive for increased happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take time to plan the new week so that your activities will go more smoothly. Come to a fine accord with loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contact good friends and discuss future plans. The evening could be delightful from a social standpoint.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study your image with the public and plan how to improve it. Make plans to have more abundance in the future.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) If you change your attitude it could help you advance in your line of endeavor. Use utmost care in motion.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will have the ability to solve difficult problems, so be sure to give the best education you can afford. One who sticks to hard facts and figures. Be sure to give religious and ethical training early in life.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — The market closed mixed after a quiet session, dealers said. The F.T. index at 1500 Friday rose 2.9 to 634.2, just below the 634.5 peak set on Wednesday.

Oils were weak on the Indonesian crude price cut and comment on Shell's figures Thursday they said. Most issues ended above the day's low point but Shell still lost 8p on the day to 406 while B.P. fell 12p to 306. Against the trend, Ultramar firmed 27p to 523 following its third quarter statement Thursday.

Elsewhere, Beecham added 8p to 386 and Glaxo firmed another 40p to 1,400p. South African gold miners drifted as the bullion price hovered around \$400.

Chloride eased a penny to 21 despite the reduced first half loss. British and Commonwealth Shipping firmed 17p to 570 on further consideration of Thursday's results while P and O rose 4p in sympathy.

Barratts ended a penny higher on balance at 434 after 438 following the reduction in home loan rates.

Banks put on as much as 7p while in insurances General Accident improved another 6p to 356. Minet Holdings was down 2p to 105.

Government bonds were little changed on balance but trading was featured by demand for index-linked stocks and the treasury 2½ per cent issue was supplied at both £98½ and £98½.

LIBRA (Sept. 21 to Oct. 22) Ideal Sunday to plan how to handle future financial affairs. Take time for health treatment and feel better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Talk over with close ties what your aims and ambitions are and gain their support. Strive for increased happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take time to plan the new week so that your activities will go more smoothly. Come to a fine accord with loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contact good friends and discuss future plans. The evening could be delightful from a social standpoint.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study your image with the public and plan how to improve it. Make plans to have more abundance in the future.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) If you change your attitude it could help you advance in your line of endeavor. Use utmost care in motion.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will have the ability to solve difficult problems, so be sure to give the best education you can afford. One who sticks to hard facts and figures. Be sure to give religious and ethical training early in life.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Friday.

One sterling 1.6525/35 U.S. dollars

One U.S. dollar 1.2246/49 Canadian dollars

2.5883/95 West German marks

2.8130/40 Dutch guilders

2.2280/95 Swiss francs

50.14/17 Belgian francs

7.3110/40 French francs

1487.00/50 Italian lire

267.75/90 Japanese yen

7.5410/40 Swedish crowns

7.3070/3100 Norwegian crowns

9.0730/60 Danish crowns

One ounce of gold 399.50/400.50 U.S. dollars

LIBRA (Sept. 21 to Oct. 22) Ideal Sunday to plan how to handle future financial affairs. Take time for health treatment and feel better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Talk over with close ties what your aims and ambitions are and gain their support. Strive for increased happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take time to plan the new week so that your activities will go more smoothly. Come to a fine accord with loved one.

FORECAST FOR SATURDAY, NOV. 13, 1982

YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A fine day and night for planning how you can advance in the future. Discuss with those who are penetrating in their abilities how to utilize their experience to your advantage.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Take time in morning to make sensible plans for the future. Then devote your attention to the one you love.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Go over agreements with close ties and make the future brighter. Plan how to add to present prestige.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Ideal day to show your appreciation to those who have done you favors in the past. Plan the new week's activities.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Take time to perfect a talent you have. Sidelstep one who is inclined to get on your nerves. Show more thought for kin.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) You can get much pleasure in doing favors for family members, even if it seems they do not appreciate your efforts.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Be sure to state your ideas and aims in a direct way and get good results with others. Do some entertaining at home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Ideal Sunday to plan how to handle future financial affairs. Take time for health treatment and feel better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Talk over with close ties what your aims and ambitions are and gain their support. Strive for increased happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take time to plan the new week so that your activities will go more smoothly. Come to a fine accord with loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contact good friends and discuss future plans. The evening could be delightful from a social standpoint.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study your image with the public and plan how to improve it. Make plans to have more abundance in the future.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) If you change your attitude it could help you advance in your line of endeavor. Use utmost care in motion.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will have the ability to solve difficult problems, so be sure to give the best education you can afford. One who sticks to hard facts and figures. Be sure to give religious and ethical training early in life.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

LIBRA (Sept. 21 to Oct. 22) Ideal Sunday to plan how to handle future financial affairs. Take time for health treatment and feel better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Talk over with close ties what your aims and ambitions are and gain their support. Strive for increased happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take time to plan the new week so that your activities will go more smoothly. Come to a fine accord with loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contact good friends and discuss future plans. The evening could be delightful from a social standpoint.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study your image with the public and plan how to improve it. Make plans to have more abundance in the future.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) If you change your attitude it could help you advance in your line of endeavor. Use utmost care in motion.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will have the ability to solve difficult problems, so be sure to give the best education you can afford. One who sticks to hard facts and figures. Be sure to give religious and ethical training early in life.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

THE Daily Crossword by James R. Burns

ACROSS
1 Hairdo
5 Leads off
10 Ready money
14 Bedecked
15 Western show
16 Spanish cooking pot
17 Invite
20 Make use of
21 Jury
22 Ending with Israel and Canaan
23 Arabian chieftain
25 Chicken and egg
29 Like Punch

DOWN
32 Footnote
33 Animal nature
34 Star's relative
36 How to use mint sauce?
40 Comp. pt.
41 Stood out
42 Lay off
43 Arm of the sea
45 Cheap whiskey
47 Makes a choice
48 Nuclear letters
49 Swagger
52 Constrict

57 Snub from the chief?
60 Roguish
61 Bay window
62 Miss Turner
63 Roughly wrought
64 — large (generally)
65 Card game

27 Prefers
28 American fabulist
29 Coin
30 Escape by trickery
31 Vaguely
33 Unmannerly persons
35 Busy as —
37 Can manage
38 Pronoun
39 Movable cover
44 Fencing expression
45 Narrated again
46 Color of raw silk
48 Pale-faced
49 Have the lead
50 Across, for short
51 Date stamp
52 Global area
53 Ailments
54 Bismarck's state: abbr.
55 Actress
56 Rowlands
58 Quod —
59 Taciturn
58 Toss underhanded
59 Prohibitionist

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

WAGI PURE ADES
ALIT SUSI HIAL
LODE TAT DONATE
DROOL DEN
GAINER FOREWORD
EGG DAVED TOSTIR
NOGS LARGE BETTU
TREAT LIENS AGAN
SARDINIA DAMASK
TED TROPIC
LITANAS TAR LUMB
INTENTIONIS RZIO
STYAL SIAIS RENO
POME MOOD SOAK

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65

66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100

101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157 158 159 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172 173 174 175 176 177 178 179 180 181 182 183 184 185 186 187 188 189 190 191 192 193 194 195 196 197 198 199 200

201 202 203 204 205 206 207 208 209 210 211 212 213 214 215 216 217 218 219 220 221 222 223 224 225 226 227 228 229 230 231 232 233 234 235 236 237 238 239 240 241 242 243 244 245 246 247 248 249 250 251 252 253 254 255 256 257 258 259 260 261 262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282 283 284 285 286 287 288 289 290 291 292 293 294 295 296 297 298 299 300

301 302 303 304 30

WORLD

Warsaw feels confident enough to plan Lech Walesa's release

WARSAW (R) — Polish authorities said Friday they had lifted the interim order on Lech Walesa, leader of the banned Solidarity trade union, but confusion persisted over his whereabouts.

An interior ministry spokesman told Reuters: "The order to intern Mr. Walesa has been lifted but this does not mean necessarily that this has taken effect in his place of detention."

The spokesman said he could give no further information on Mr. Walesa's present whereabouts.

Government spokesman Jerzy Urban announced Thursday that Mr. Walesa, 39, would be released "in the next few days" after spending 11 months in internment under martial law.

Official newspapers Friday printed a letter signed by Mr. Walesa and dated Monday from Arłamow in which he proposed talks with military ruler Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski on "subjects of interest" and said "with good will we shall surely find a solution."

Mr. Urban said that the letter prompted a meeting between the union leader and Interior Minister Gen. Czeslaw Kiszczak after which the interim order had been lifted.

Mr. Walesa's wife Danuta said at their home in Gdansk she had not

been told when and where her husband would be freed.

The release of Mr. Walesa, after the limited response this week to underground Solidarity calls for demonstrations and strikes, raised hopes that the authorities would fulfil tentative plans to lift martial law by the end of the year.

Gen. Jaruzelski said as early as July that martial law could be lifted by the end of 1982 if the country was sufficiently calm.

Another sign of growing confidence among the authorities that they have no more to fear from the underground opposition was Monday's announcement of a date for a second visit to Poland by Polish-born Pope John Paul II next June.

There was widespread speculation here that Mr. Walesa would be released initially into the hands of the church.

Mr. Walesa is a devout Catholic whose only regular visitors in Arłamow have been his wife and a local priest.

The church gave strong support to Solidarity and, during the 16-months of liberalisation initiated by the union, it broke down a number of official Communist barriers on the church's role in public life.

Comments on the death of Leonid Brezhnev
'A man who wanted peace'

NEW YORK (R) — Following are excerpts of comments from around the world on the death of Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev:

The Soviet News Agency TASS: "The name of Leonid Ilyich Brezhnev, a true continuer of Lenin's great cause and an ardent champion of peace and Communism, will live forever in the hearts of the Soviet people and the entire progressive mankind."

Former U.S. President Richard Nixon: "As a Russian he was warm, effusive and ebullient. As a Communist, he was a ruthless schemer and relentless aggressor."

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher: "The consequences of his death will be felt far beyond the frontiers of his own country."

President Reagan: "I have said for many years there are fundamental differences between the Soviet system and our own system ... but I believe our peoples, for all our differences, share a desire and dedication to peace."

Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger: "Brezhnev was a great figure who in the last three years only intervened on major

decisions. He was not participating in day-to-day policymaking."

Former President Jimmy Carter: "They (the Soviets) will certainly avoid any confrontation leading to any conflict or arms confrontation leading to any conflict or arms confrontation but I think there will be a struggle to score a propaganda advantage."

U.S. industrialist Armand Hammer (who knew every Soviet leader since Lenin): "Brezhnev was different from Stalin. Stalin was really ruthless. Brezhnev was like Lenin, he was a warmhearted man."

Former British Prime Minister Harold Wilson: "He did thump the table a bit and go into orbit. But he has well briefed and was the top man."

Finnish President Mauno Koivisto: "A long meritorious life full of toil is over."

Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau: "I sincerely believe he was a man who wanted peace."

Former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt: "A long phase of continuity in the politics of a great power has come to an end. He was a resolute defender of

his country's interests as he understood them. One could be sure that he would keep to his agreement."

Former West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt: "We never hesitated to tell each other what we thought of each other's views. That kind of relationship created personal confidence."

European Parliament President Pieter Dierckx: "Leonid Brezhnev was a man who knew the horror and suffering inflicted by war. This personal experience gave him a determination that the Soviet people would not suffer such an experience again."

Italian Prime Minister Giovanni Spadolini: "The figure of Brezhnev is linked to the major international developments of the last two decades."

Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali: "A dedicated leader who relentlessly worked for his country until the last moments of his life."

Unnamed Albanian diplomat, whose country has waged ideological war with Moscow for years: "One goes, another comes."

NEWS
IN
BRIEF

Israelis order

3 lecturers to leave

TEL AVIV (R) — The Israeli administration on the occupied West Bank has ordered three foreign lecturers at Bir Zeit University near occupied Jerusalem to leave the country by Monday, university sources said. Like 19 other foreign nationals lecturing at West Bank universities expelled previously, they had refused to sign undertakings not to support the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

Medical board backs
Mrs. Bhutto's demand

KARACHI (R) — A medical board has recommended to Pakistan's military government that Begum Nusrat Bhutto, the widow of executed Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, should be allowed to go abroad for treatment of suspected lung cancer, her doctor said. Dr. Abdul Hye Saeed said the state medical board recommended that Mrs. Bhutto, 53, should be sent abroad for treatment "as soon as possible". But board chairman Maj. Gen. Iqbal Muhammad Chaudhry refused to disclose the findings which, he said, would be sent to the government. Two board members visited Mrs. Bhutto in hospital Thursday where she is under intensive care after collapsing at her home Wednesday.

Britain to rearm

Chinese destroyers

PEKING (R) — A British consortium has won a contract worth more than £100 million (\$170 million) to refit Chinese navy destroyers with Sea Dart missiles and advanced electronics, diplomatic sources said. The sources said the consortium, led by Vosper Thorneycroft and British Aerospace, signed the contract in Peking Wednesday. They described it as one of the biggest defence deals ever concluded by China with a Western country, and a major coup for London towards narrowing a yawning trade gap. A British embassy spokesman confirmed a contract had been signed between British and Chinese firms "for the supply of equipment and defensive weapons as part of the modernisation of the Chinese armed forces."

Japanese

superintendent
hangs himself

TOKYO (R) — A senior Japanese police officer hanged himself Friday in a barn near Tokyo because he felt responsible for a bribery scandal involving some of his men. He was identified as Superintendent Tadahito Sugihara, 51, head of the national police academy in Tokyo and a former chief of police for the sprawling Osaka area. Police said Superintendent Sugihara left a suicide note saying: "I feel acutely the responsibility for the affair involving some of my men during my tenure as head of the (Osaka) prefectural police." Superintendent Sugihara is the second police officer to kill himself in the scandal, in which two former policemen are charged with tipping off gambling rings in Osaka about police raids.

Tokyo plans special
debate for leadership

TOKYO (R) — The Japanese cabinet plans to call a special session of the Diet (Parliament) on Nov. 26 to elect a new prime minister to succeed Zenko Suzuki, chief cabinet secretary Kiichi Miyazawa said. He told reporters the leaders of the upper and lower houses had been told of the plan, which was expected to receive formal approval at a cabinet meeting on Nov. 19.

Kenians discover 22
fossil fragments

NAIROBI (R) — Kenyan archaeologists have discovered 22 fossil fragments of a 15 million-year-old ape-like creature which could provide a new insight into the evolution of man from his early ancestors. Richard Leakey, director of Kenya's national museum, has described the new finds as highly important. He said the fragments were of the teeth and jawbones of an ape-like creature known as Kenyanthropus, of which only a few examples have previously been found in Kenya.

W. German 'red army faction' dealt heavy blow

BONN (R) — Police found weapons used in attacks on a top U.S. general and several prominent West Germans before they captured two of West Germany's most-wanted urban guerrilla suspects Thursday, the interior ministry said Friday.

Ministry spokesman Wighard Herdt said the arms find and the arrest of Adelheid Schulz, 27, and Brigitte Mohnhaupt, 33, in the Frankfurt area had dealt a severe blow to the leftist "red army faction" urban guerrilla group.

The group included a grenade launcher used in an attack on the U.S. army commander in Europe, Gen. Frederick Kroesen, in Sept. 1981 near Heidelberg, he said.

There were also pistols and machine-guns used in the 1977 killings of West German federal prosecutor Siegfried Buback, top banker Juergen Ponto and employers' leader Hannas-Martin Schleyer, Mr. Herdt told a news conference.

The two women guerrilla suspects were surprised and overpowered by an elite anti-terrorist squad when they visited the arms cache, which was discovered after a tip-off about three weeks ago.

They were armed but had no time to draw their guns before being captured, Mr. Herdt said.

The spokesman said the cache also contained banknotes, forged identity papers and documents that indicated the guerrilla group was planning major actions in the near future.

He strongly denied press reports that another of the country's top four guerrilla suspects, Christian Klar, eluded police during the operation.

Mr. Herdt said West Germany's controversial new right-wing interior minister, Friedrich Zimmermann, ordered police to intervene immediately to prevent a recurrence of previous blunders which enabled suspects under surveillance to escape.

Columbia delivers cargo London hunts 2nd spy

KENNEDY SPACE CENTRE

(R) — The U.S. space shuttle Columbia has made a smooth delivery of its first commercial cargo, space agency officials reported Friday.

The officials said Columbia and its four-man crew were in excellent condition heading into the second day of the spacecraft's fifth orbital mission.

The shuttle was launched into blue Florida skies on schedule Thursday and about eight hours later, at an altitude of 300 kilometres, it deployed a satellite owned by a private U.S. company, Satellite Business Systems.

"We deliver," astronaut Joe Allen said after the satellite package, spinning on a turntable cradled in Columbia's cargo hold, was hauled into space by a spring mechanism.

Television cameras mounted on the shuttle relayed a clear colour picture of the completion of the shuttle programme's first business deal.

Two of the mission's three main goals were due to be reached later Friday. First, an outwardly identical satellite owned by a Canadian firm will be released by the same process.

With the two commercial sat-

ellites in orbit, the third task will be the shuttle's first "space walk," a 3-1/2-hour journey outside the vehicle on Sunday by Allen and William Lenoir, two scientist-jet pilots on their first trips into space.

Allen, 45, issued computer commands Thursday to deploy the SBS-3 satellite. Lenoir, 43, will control the second, named ANIK C.

"This is the first time that the launches have turned right around and become the launchers," Lenoir quoted Allen as saying after SBS-3's own propulsion sent it into orbit.

Mission commander Vance Brand, 51, and pilot Robert Overmyer, 46-year-old Marine Corps colonel, fly the shuttle. Mr. Brand will land it on a runway in California's Mojave desert on Tuesday morning.

None of the first four-person crew launched into orbit reported the motion sickness that affected previous shuttle astronauts. They all took prescribed anti-nausea medicine.

"We had a super ride up. It was really great for all of us," said Mr. Brand, who was command module pilot of the Apollo-Soyuz test project in 1975.

LONDON (R) — British authorities are hunting a second Soviet agent who used convicted spy Geoffrey Prime as a messenger and is still operating inside Britain's top-secret intelligence centre, the Daily Mail newspaper said Friday.

The newspaper said British intelligence apparently believed that when Prime left the centre at Cheltenham in western England five years ago he started work as a taxi driver so he could act as a courier for another agent.

Prime, 44, a former Russian linguist at the codebreaking and signals base, was jailed for 35 years earlier this week after admitting passing secrets to Moscow for 14 years.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Thursday promised a full investigation into security breaches but said there was no evidence so far that anyone besides Prime was involved.

The Daily Mail said the fact that another agent was working inside Cheltenham would explain why Prime's controllers in Moscow exerted no pressure to force him to stay at his post.

Mrs. Thatcher's office declined to comment on the report. Many Members of Parliament are still unhappy about security system.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN

© 1982 Tribune Company Syndicate, Inc.

Neither vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ 10862
♥ A Q 3
♦ A 9 7
♣ A 5 2

WEST EAST
♠ K Q 3 ♠ 9 7 4
♥ K 5 ♥ 4 2
♦ 8 6 4 ♦ K Q 5 2
♣ Q 10 8 6 3 ♣ K J 9 7

SOUTH
♠ A 15
♥ J 10 9 8 7 6
♦ J 10 3
♣ 4

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
1 NT Pass 2 ♥ Pass
3 ♥ Pass 4 ♥ Pass
Pass Pass
Opening lead: Six of ♣.

When you spot a line of play that offers a 3-to-1 chance of success, you tend to think that that is good enough. But there may be a better line available.

The auction was straightforward. After South rebid his hearts, North felt that his excellent trump support and outside aces merited a raise. South was full value for his push to game.

West led a club and declarer won the ace in dummy. He came to hand with a club ruff and led the jack of trumps, covered by the king and won by the ace. Declarer returned to his hand with the ten of trumps and ran the jack of diamonds. West won and exited with a spade.

The long and short of it is

that declarer lost two tricks in spades and diamonds for down one. He felt hard done by, since it was better than a 75 percent chance that West held one of the diamond honors. To improve the odds even further, declarer would still have made the contract after the spade shift if East had one of the spade honors.

The hand would have been written off as merely unlucky had there not been a kibitzer present. He suggested that declarer could have made the contract by ruffing out the last club and then playing ace of spades and another, setting up the fourth spade for a diamond discard. The players felt that that would not succeed on some other distributions.

The kibitzer was right, but for the wrong reasons. Once the heart king appears, declarer should ruff dummy's last club, draw trumps and then play ace of spades and another. Let's suppose that East has the worst possible holding for declarer: K-Q-9-x in the suit. He can capture the ten with the queen, cash the king, then exit with the nine. But declarer ruffs and runs the jack of diamonds. If an honor appears from West, declarer loses only one diamond. If West plays low and East wins the trick, he is end played. A diamond is into declarer's combined tenace; any other return allows declarer to ruff in one hand while getting rid of his diamond loser from the other.

Thus we see that the play of ace and another spade guarantees the contract regardless of the distribution. Try it for yourself.

Soviet Backfire bombers threaten U.S. 7th Fleet

HONG KONG (R) — Advanced

Soviet supersonic Backfire bombers pose a significant new threat to the U.S. Seventh Fleet operating in the North Pacific, a U.S. navy spokesman said here.

He said the Mach 2.5 swept-wing aircraft came in at twice the speed of previous air threats and therefore required a response twice as fast.

The spokesman was speaking at a press conference aboard the USS Blue Ridge, flagship of the Seventh Fleet, which put in here Thursday for a five-day visit.

The Blue Ridge, the most sophisticated communications vessel afloat, was involved in manoeuvres in the North Pacific last month when the Soviet Backfires for the first time operated close to U.S. nuclear carriers.

"It was the first time they have flown in such close proximity to our carriers," he said.

The spokesman Thursday said about 20 Backfire bombers were now operating in the Sea of Japan and were part of a growing Soviet threat faced by the Seventh Fleet.

The U.S. navy has abruptly cancelled a review of plans to produce the controversial FA-18 Hornet fighter-bomber following a congressional report that the plane could not effectively protect vessels from the Backfire.

The Hornet was found to have a shorter range than expected, whereas the Backfire is said by Western experts to be able to operate from Soviet bases without refuelling as far as Midway, Guam and the Philippines.

Despite the Backfire and a build-up of Soviet navy strength in the Indian Ocean, South China Sea and Pacific, the spokesman said: "We feel perfectly comfortable in being able to handle what may arise."

"What concerns us are the broad-range trends," he said. The Soviet navy had been building its strength "inexorably" and there was no reason to believe that this would stop.

He said there were now 509 Soviet navy units in the region, including 44 major combat vessels and 151 submarines, and 20 to 30 of the subs were carrying nuclear missiles.

Mr. De Lorean, whose car factory in Belfast, Northern Ireland, was ordered closed by the British government, is free on bail of \$10 million.

The third accused in the case, Stephen Arrington, a former serviceman, is being held in lieu of bail of \$250,000.

In New York, People magazine announced that Mr. De Lorean's wife, Christina Ferrare, had sold it her diary covering the 10-day period last month when her husband was arrested on cocaine trafficking and conspiracy charges.

A spokeswoman for the magazine would not say how much had been paid for the diary.

Court told of co-accused's boasts in De Lorean case

LOS ANGELES (R) — William Hetrick, accused car maker John De Lorean on drug charges, boasted in videotaped conversations he had so much money in bank accounts that he could not even spend the interest, a court was told.

Federal prosecutor James Walsh said the government had 120 audio and videotapes of alleged conversations involving Mr. Hetrick, Mr. De Lorean and government undercover agents.

Mr. Hetrick boasted to undercover agents he had substantial sums hidden in banks in the Grand Cayman Islands, where secrecy laws prevent U.S. authorities obtaining information on the accounts, Mr. Walsh said.

"Mr. Hetrick is featured in a number of tapes making statements to agents that he is a long-term and substantial dealer in cocaine," Mr. Walsh told the court which was considering bail terms for the 50-year-old owner of a California aviation company.

The prosecutor opposed any reduction in the bail of \$20 million.

كردا من الالام